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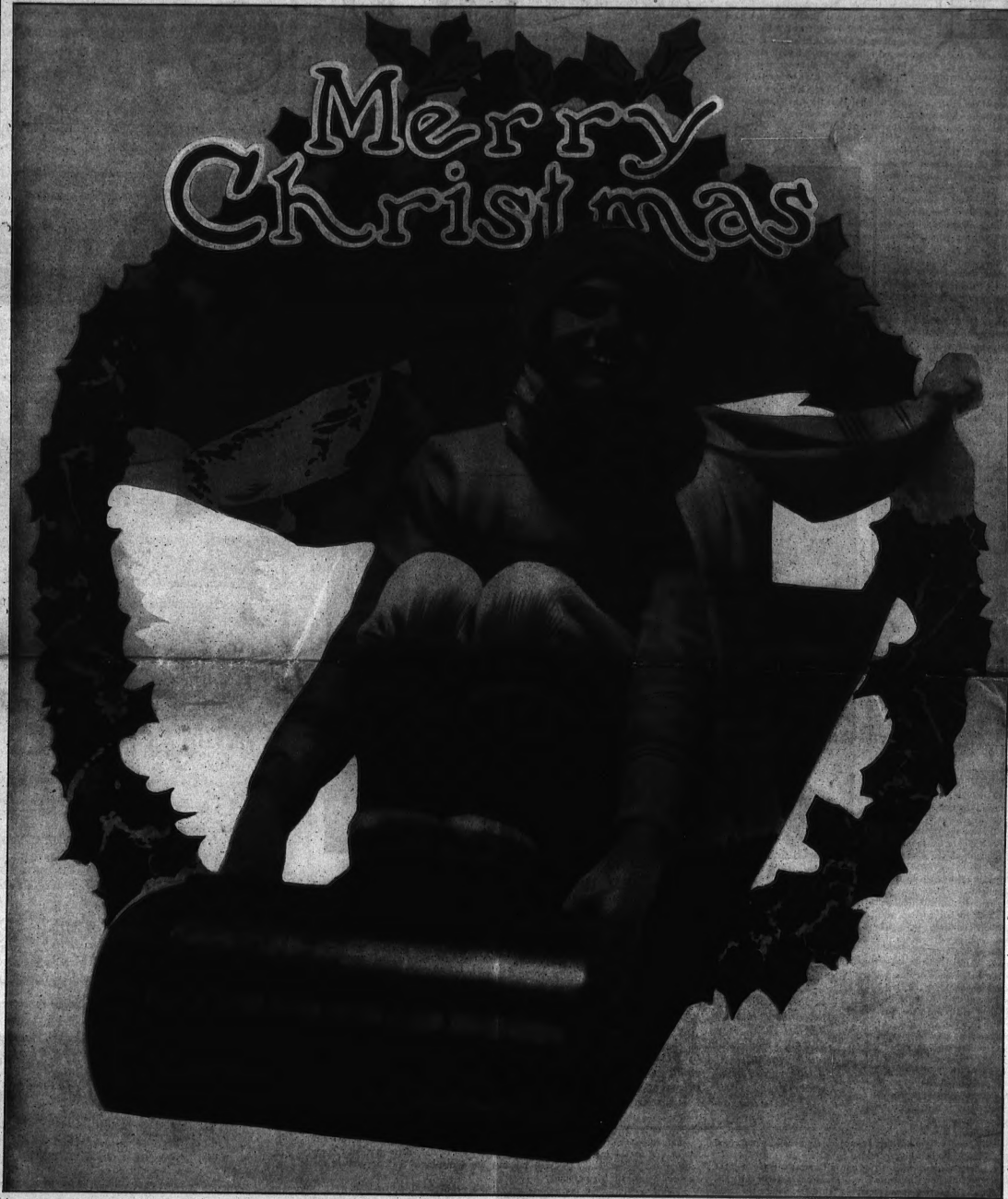
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Santa Claus Keeps Favor



VEN as the story of the Christ-Child never grows old, the custom of celebrating the Yuletide retains its interest and joy each succeeding December. St. Nicholas retains his popularity whether he is prophesied as descending upon the chimney (and just fancy the catastrophe that might befall the world if it became the fashion to build houses without chimneys) in a sleigh drawn by reindeer, or in an aeroplane. Tissue papers may drift the floor in red and white and green mounds and ribbons of scarlet and silver tangle the feet most hopelessly, but Mother smiles happily in the midst of chaos. Christmas Eve may mean nerve-thrilling, aching bodies and fogged minds, worn out with strenuous preparation, but Christmas finds the family indulging in bigger plans for next year.

Decorating the church with evergreen on Christmas Eve is as old as the hills. Polydore Vergil says that "Trimming of the Temples with banyanges, flowers, bougies and garlandes was taken of the heathen people, which decked their idols and houses with such array." In old churches antecedent Christmas Eve is marked "Templa exornatur." However this may be, the greatest charm of Christmas is the decorated church, the power which makes man see beyond the bare walls of the church and which carries him back through the ages to worship with the shepherds at the manger cot in Bethlehem. Christmas without its religious observances, for all the feasting, gaiety and rejoicing, would long ago have passed away.

Christmas carols as they are known to-day are a literary inheritance handed down from an age when there existed neither popular songs nor dramas. At fixed seasons of the year the British people used to congregate to sing simple ballads in which secular themes were close-mingled with religious. Of the store of popular poetry nothing now survives in actual use except the Christmas carols.

But in these old days the Christmas carols were only a portion of a larger collection of semi-religious songs, each group of which had its special association with the ecclesiastical year. Easter had its carols, so had Whitsun and May-day, and many other religious holy days. These were not part of the church service as they are to-day. They were mostly associated with those early dramatic representations—mystery plays.

The festival of the Christmastide is a heritage of the long ago, and the date of its origin is unknown. Traditions tell of celebrating in mid-winter with feasting and merriment in the days of antiquity. Perhaps the most widespread of all festive institutions is the Christmas tree. The present form of the tree decked in candles and hung with colored balls and images does not seem to date back prior to the seventeenth century. In England there is a legend of Joseph of Arimathea which tells us that when the Saint settled at Glastonbury he planted his staff in the ground. It put forth leaves and blossomed every Christmas. The tree very likely is a survival of the older laurel decorations which were tied to the doorposts of houses.

Christmas is Christmas all the Wide World Over

CHRISTMAS the world over! Perhaps in some distant Yuletide the applied science of television will permit Canadian folk reveling in a sparkling, frosty merry-making the privilege of watching their New Zealand cousins celebrate. Pulses will quicken as one glimpses the picnic ever a feature of Christmas Day in New Zealand, and the Yuletide Camp where "little brown Maori fairies with flowing black locks, clad in national costume, with nast and string of beads, come out of the woods and dance festive poi and haka to the delight of the little white folk." Then will come the thrilling hour of dusk, when camp-fires gleam by the woodland streams to the delight of the Christmas campers.

A glance at Christmas celebration in India will also find campfires lighted. The tender pea chick will replace the famous Canadian turkey at dinner. Gaily attired Indian natives will bring their gifts and their greetings to the British officers, and much feasting will feature the merry-making in Bombay and Calcutta.

New South Wales, Australia, will present the gayest of scenes, with thousands of country people thronging the streets of the city, the cafes, the theatres and the races. In Melbourne a carnival shopping scene will reward the television fan, with festivity in abundance in swimming and picknicking, for it chances that in Australia Christmas Day falls in mid-summer.

"Looking-in" at Christmas in the Italian highlands will be rewarded with a charming picture, with the time-old custom followed with the peasants making offerings of fruit and flowers at the shrine of the Redeemer. Christmas aims, with blazing bonfires and fireworks, will arrest the attention as the Canadian views at long distance the celebration in Naples. In Norway a charming scene will be portrayed as the Norwegians provide a Christmas dinner for the birds.

The "looker-in" watching the festivities carried out in Ukraine will discover the homes the centre of merry-making on Christmas Eve. Many courses will mark the feast at the dinner hour and featuring strange dishes. In many homes the extra cover will be laid for the stranger, who, should he come knocking at the door that Christmas Eve, would be welcome at the table and no questions asked. It is an ancient but beautiful legend that tells how the Christ-Child wanders through the town on this night of nights, and to the Ukrainian home the stranger may represent the Holy Babe. Irresistible will prove the temptation to take a peek at Christmas festivity in Switzerland, where the gay, sparkling tree will be found in the poorest of homes, and Father Christmas with his generous pack of toys a welcome visitor.

Bethlehem the Site of Christ's Birth

THOUGH it is contrary to what most people will expect a Christmas spent at the birthplace of Christ is really the greatest disappointment imaginable. Bethlehem is the one place in the whole world where the festival is commemorated in a setting of threatening crowds and armed guards.

The Church of the Nativity, by common consent admitted to be the authentic site of Christ's birth, looks more like a formidable fortress than a Christian church. The dark, massive walls, with small, heavily barred windows, standing in a roughly paved square, suggests durance vile rather than religious peace. The only doorway is a small hole in the great thickness of the wall, so low that one has to stoop to pass through. There is no spire or dome; only an ugly looking bell, badly projecting from the medieval masonry which looks incapable of ringing out glad tidings.

On Christmas Eve great crowds come from Jerusalem and the surrounding villages to attend the midnight-mass held in the Roman Catholic part of the Church, the rest of the building being reserved for the Greeks and Armenians who hold their Christmas on a different date.

The interior of the church which rather resembles an enclosed market with great pillars and huge flagstones, presents a cold and cheerless scene. A surging Eastern mob besieges the building, pushing and fighting for places, while the aisles are guarded by police with gleaming bayonets to prevent disturbances between religious factions.

Religious antagonism is so bitter that should a Greek or Armenian priest set



Santa On the Line

"Is that you, Santa Claus?"

"Yes, and you are little Marjorie Brown."

"What, Santa! do you know my name?"

"Yes, and I know your voice, too. Oh, yes, I know you, Marjorie, very well, and I have seen you asleep in your bed."

"Aren't you wonderful, Santa, to know so much? May I tell you what I'd like you to bring me on Christmas Eve? Yes? Well, I'd like you to bring me a big dollie and a carriage

for it, and a set of doll's furniture and dishes, and an—"

"Stop a moment, Marjorie; I know everything you would like, but have you been a good girl?"

"Oh, yes; you can ask Mumsy if I haven't; she is sitting right here."

"Never mind now, Marjorie I know you always tell the truth. So I'll bring you just what you want. Good-bye, Marjorie."

"Oh thank you, Santa Claus, you are so good. Good-bye."

foot on a carpet belonging to the Latina, or vice versa, it is enough to cause a riot possibly ending in bloodshed. So jealous is each church of its particular bounds that at the border line the wall hangings are even pinned back to prevent them swinging over foreign ground.

At midnight there is a procession to the chapel of the Manger, where, down two small flights of steps in a small lamp-lit crypt, is the famous "Star of Bethlehem" marking the actual spot where Christ is said to have been born. This is in a small recess of the wall over which stands an altar shared by all three churches, each contributing its share of dimly burning lamps; here in the holiest spot of all Christendom a sentry stands by day and night to preserve religious peace.

Close by is a small ledge on which the manger is said to have rested but the manger itself is now locked up in the church of Santa Maria Maggiore in Rome. It is only on the lonely hillside of Judea where dwells the peaceful shepherd with his flocks that the true atmosphere of the first Christmas is to be found.

The peasants of many European countries share the legend that animals are conscious when Christmas Eve comes round. Many of the country folk believe that at midnight sheep awake and march in procession and the cattle kneel in their stalls.

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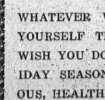
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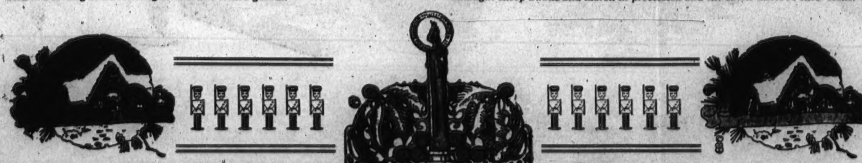


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"A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE"

By REV. FATHER DONOVAN, Bellevue, Alberta



MEN, Amen I say to you: if any man keep my word, he shall not see death forever." John VIII: 51.

Dear Friends:

Meeting once again to celebrate the gentle birthday of our Saviour, let us reflect upon His momentous promise, "If any man keep My word, he shall not taste death forever." In this promise there is implied the immortality of our souls, and there is indicated the way to their undying happiness.

The group of Pharisees to whom our Lord made that statement one day in the ancient temple at Jerusalem, believed in the immortality of the soul and in the resurrection of the body. Still, like carping hecklers, they pretended not to understand. They said, "Why Abraham is dead, the prophets are dead, and still you say if any man keep your word he shall not taste death forever. Whom do you make yourself?" They knew very well that Christ did not mean to say that, by keeping His word, they would be exempt from bodily death, which is the common lot on mankind and the portal to eternity. And He knew that they understood His promise, i.e. eternal happiness to the soul through keeping the Divine Law. Accordingly He reiterated His promise and at the same time strengthened it by claiming for Himself eternal being, which is an attribute of God, "Amen, amen, I say to you, before Abraham was made, I am."

By immortality we mean that the human soul will survive death, and continue in endless possession of conscious existence. It means also that the soul will preserve its conscious identity. Even more, it is the common opinion of theologians that the departed soul preserves a conscious memory of, and an interest in, its previous life.

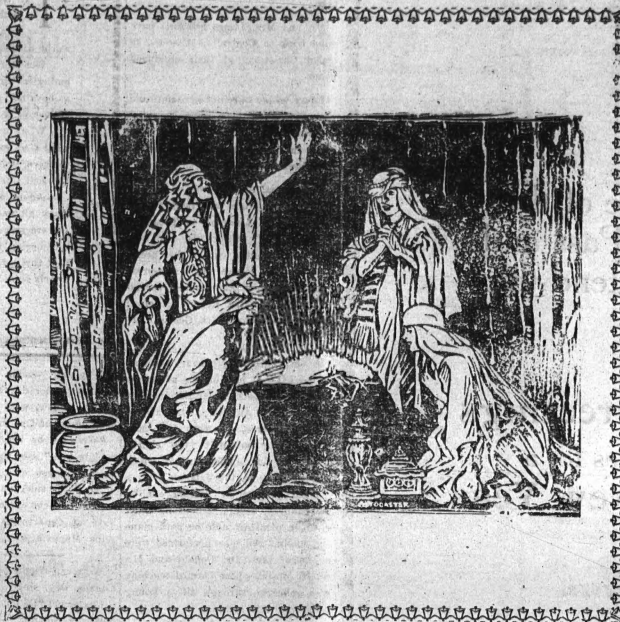
The question of the soul's immortality is by no means an easy one. It is one of the most profound matters that philosophy and religion have to deal with. It does not fall within the scope of experimental knowledge, but belongs in the difficult domain of natural philosophy and religion. A proper discussion of it, too, involves terms and ideas unfamiliar to the man in the street. Still many fine considerations on it can be set forth in words intelligible to all.

Belief in a future life of some sort for the human soul has been common to all ages, times and places. Look today at the graveyards of Chief Crowfoot, buried on the prairies of Alberta, and you will see evidence of beliefs similar to those who interred Tutankhamen in his gorgeously furnished tomb in the Egyptian valley of the Kings. It is true that some individuals and some sects such as the epicureans have fought the idea of immortality, but still the universal current of the human mind has believed in the undying soul. The ancient religions and cultures of Asia down to the cultures of our own day are based upon the idea of a soul that survives the death of the body.

With what pathetic fantasy mankind has expressed that precious hope that death doesn't end all! The monarchs of Ancient Egypt were buried with the provision for possible needs of the surviving spirit. The body was mummified and protected against corruption as an attempt to forestall after dissolution. Lofty pyramids were built on the west side of the Nile, the side of the desert, and of the setting sun—both symbols of eternity—to confer immortality on the memory at least of the great kings. In pagan Rome they built the tombs of the great along the Appian way, thus showing the love of immortality, and trying to grasp even that shadowy survival in the minds of those who lived after them.

India appeased its hunger for immortality by the cult of the nirvana, the peace-sleep of the soul. China, and Japan even to this day, have their cult of Shintoism, or worship of departed ancestors. Ancient Greece was the first among the nations to attempt a systematic demonstration of the surviving soul. How daring and wonderful they were away back in the dawn of knowledge and philosophy! So near were they to the truth that some of the arguments of their great Plato are still used by the theologians of our own times. Judaism asserted its faith but did not reduce it to a system of philosophy. "The souls of the just are in the hands of God and the torment of death shall not touch them and though in the sight of men they suffered torments their hope is full of immortality." Wis. III: 1-5.

The philosophers of the Christian era, with one exception, Duns Scotus, claim to be able to demonstrate the existence and immortality of the soul apart altogether from Revelation. They wish to have the one-fold demonstration, each complete in itself, the one from natural reason, and the other from God's revealed Word. Those of us who took this subject in school remember how adroitly philosophy handles it. It is somewhat like the impression one gets from the skilled surgeon who goes into



the human body and gets his great work done before the astonished onlooker realises that he has begun.

They showed us that the human soul is, and cannot be other than a substantial being; because by it man substantially differs from the rest of creation. Then they showed that the soul must be a simple substance; because it cannot be admitted that it is a composite of matter and its forms. The next step was to show that the soul is a spiritual substance because it has operations that are independent of matter. And the next step was to the great question—as great as the question of the existence of God—the immortality of the soul. Immortality they claimed for it as a necessary condition arising out of its simplicity and spirituality; the former making impossible a dissolution from the break-up of chemical parts, and the latter showing it independent in its being of a subject, and consequently not doomed to destruction with the collapse of its subject.

Other reasons they gave, too. The natural, innate desire to immortality cannot be without foundation, for nature cannot be the mother of an insane and impossible desire. The argument from the rational make-up of the universe is cogent; for the immortality of the soul makes the universe sensible and rational, and without it, the universe is monstrous.

A modern writer has expressed that argument with great force. "The fact that man desires immortality is proof enough that he was not born to perish. There is no error in the ordering of the universe . . . it is the work of a master who ordereth all things well. Pain might be begotten of a monster, but only Infinite Wisdom could have invented sorrow. Nature does not put feathers on fishes, nor fins on birds, nor give aught that lives an impossible desire or an objectless instinct. Why, then, should man desire immortality? If man's fierce longing for immortal life cannot be gratified, then is the whole universe a cruel lie; its wonderful order from star to flower, its careful adaption of means to ends, an arrant fraud, a colossal falsehood. If there is no God, then creation is a calamity. If there be God and no immortality for man, then creation is a crime."

It is drole that the chief argument of the epicureans against immortality becomes Plato's chief reason in favor of it! And St. Paul's argument as well. The epicureans argue that death ends all because it seems to end all. A dead man and a dead beast go alike to corruption. Now the Grecian Plato starts his first argument just there; in the world opposite things generate and succeed one another. Death follows life, and out of death life is again generated. Man must be no exception to this general law! St. Paul, instructing the Corinthians (XVI, 25) says, "But some will say 'How do the dead rise again?' Senseless man! that which thou sowest is not quickened, except it die first." And again, "For this corruptible must put on incorruption and this mortal must put on immortality."

The materialists, among whom we find some men of great name, say that the soul is not spiritual nor immortal because matter is the one cause of all things. Monist answers, "Then a strange kind of cause matter must be, for it must break all the laws of logic; it must act in eternal opposition with itself; without intelligence it must produce intelligent work; blind, it must engender harmony; unforeseeing, it must provide for all; creature of chance, it must create order; unconscious, it must establish cooperation; creature of fate, it acts as if it possessed a will; inanimate, it must give birth to the soul and life; deprived of reason, mercy and sentiment, it must produce wonders of genius and of love."

How eloquently Jesus spoke of the soul's immortality! The Sadducees did not believe in it! They argued much with the Pharisees about it. One day they came to Jesus with that gross supposition of the woman who was successively married to each one of the seven brothers, and they asked who's wife would she be in life everlasting. He answered, "Therefore do ye err because ye know not the scriptures nor the power of God. They that shall be accounted worthy of that world, and of resurrection from the dead, shall neither marry nor take wives, neither can they die any more, for they are equal to the angels and are children of God, being the children of the resurrection." (Matt. XXII, 30).

The whole purpose of His coming into the world, His life, His passion and atoning death were based on one idea, the immortal soul of man, its destiny of everlasting peace or of anguish, and His mission to save it. "For the Son of Man is come to seek and to save that which was lost." How many times He asserted and promised life everlasting, "Amen, amen I say to you, that he who heareth my word, and believeth Him that sent Me, hath life everlasting."

How oft-repeated, too, and how divinely tender are His love and recompense for those who, in the course of ages, were to be His coadjutors in the work of saving the immortal souls of men. "As My Father hath disposed to me, likewise I will dispose to you a kingdom that you may sit at meat with Me in My kingdom. . . . Father I will that where I am, they also whom thou hast given me, may be with me; that they may see my glory which thou hast given me, because thou hast loved me before the creation of the world." How he commiserates with them in the pain they are to suffer in working for immortal souls, "Amen, amen I say to you that you shall lament and weep, but the world shall rejoice; and you shall be made sorrowful, but your sorrow shall be turned into joy . . . but I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice and your joy no man shall take from you. In the world you shall have distress, but have confidence, I have overcome the world."

But, is the whole question of immortality one of reasoning and authority? Is there no human experience at all to bring testimony? Is it possible that God has never given any direct evidence to anyone?

I am convinced that He has done so. I pass the matter along to you for judgment. Expect to find that evidence, however, in the lives of the great lovers and servants of God, not in the experiences of Hollywood. Saint Theresa of Avila was no medium. She never tried to "bring up" a spirit. She never gave a seance. She was one of the world's most intelligent women. She writes thus of Peter of Alcantara: "That same night, the holy man Peter of Alcantara, who was already dead, appeared to me. Since God has called him to Himself I have seen him two other times, and I have been witness of the greatness of his glory. His aspect, far from inspiring me with terror, filled my soul with joy; because he appeared to me always in the state of a glorified body, filled with a felicity in which I also participated. I remember well the first time, in speaking to me of the excess of his happiness, he told me, among other things, how happy was the penance that had merited such a great reward."

Lucretius, the epicure, said that his reason for arguing against immortality was to free men from any fear of a life to come. False and futile way to escape reproach of conscience and fear of God's vengeance! It reminds one of the alleged silliness of the ostrich hiding its head in the sand to quiet its fears of its enemies.

A wealthy young man among the Hebrews, whom St. Luke calls a ruler, was troubled about that great question. He came to Christ and kneeling at His feet, said, "Good Master, what shall I do that I may receive life everlasting?" And Jesus looking on him, loved him. He was a fine type of young prince and gentleman. His humility in high position; his air of refinement and culture; and most of all his many virtues endeared him to the Lord. But he got an answer, direct, precise, specific. Jesus said unto him "Son, keep the commandments." This admirable young man had done that and so he asked "what yet is wanting to me?" Jesus said, "One thing is wanting unto thee; if thou wilt be perfect, go, sell whatever thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven, and come, follow me." Jesus pointed out the road of salvation for the general run of men, the way of the commandments. But there was something more for those with courage enough to aspire for it. They could make certain of eternal happiness, they could pinch it and put it beyond a peradventure, by following the way of perfection, the steps of the Divine Master.

Men concern themselves with that all-important problem, in the measure of their faith and knowledge. They consult their soul's interest in the measure of their mastery of the world, the flesh and the devil, and of the things that war against the soul. Some are wholly without instruction in the matters of the soul. They neglect it altogether, nay they may feel tough, smart and superior in the laudable fact that their spiritual nature is uncultivated, and their information along such lines nothing.

Then there are they who fear that they have something to lose in this present life, if they pay attention to the life to come. They observe that the rules for heaven are also the rules for earth. God's ten points, thou shalt and thou shalt not—they fear some trouble trying to keep that treaty with God. To such Christ has posed this question, "What shall it profit a man to gain the whole world and suffer the loss of his soul?"

God, who pointed the way to our eternal peace, will exert His omnipotence to help His creatures along the way. "Come to me, all ye that labor and are heavily burdened, and I will refresh you." I am the way, the truth and the life. Ask and ye shall receive, seek and ye shall find, knock and it shall be opened to you. I am the good shepherd, the good shepherd giveth his life for his sheep."

But if in spite of all we should not succeed in keeping the commandments, should we then begin to deny, like Lucretius, in order to avoid fear? By no means, for the disciple whom Jesus loved says, "But if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father who is Jesus Christ the Just, and He is the propitiation for our sins, and not ours only, but also for those of the whole world."

So, dearly beloved friends, in wishing one another a Happy Christmas on the recurring birthday of our gentle Saviour, our hearts should be kindled with love for Him. There was no road in all the world until He came, no star of hope and guidance until He shone upon life's sea, no song in all the world until He spoke, no heart until He gave His heart to us. Our minds and affections can span the intervening ocean; we can visit in spirit Bethlehem, and other sacred places, where His earthly caravan has rested. He has strewn flowers of grace for us; let us stoop and kiss them where they lie along the course of His love and memory, for to love Him is to keep His commandments, and "amen, amen, if any man keep my word he shall not taste death forever."



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COWLEY HAPPENINGS

Miss Gladys Brown, of the Cowley teaching staff, is taking an enforced vacation, striding a case of "flu."

Miss Ruth Fink, of Spokane, arrived on Tuesday morning to spend Christmas holidays with her parents here.

Mr. and Mrs. James Edwards have gone back to Centralia, Missouri, to spend Christmas at their childhood home.

Pussy willows are out here now and sparrows have been seen carrying feathers, etc., this week, building nests in bird houses in town. Can your town beat that?

The annual meeting of the Cowley Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Littleton on Thursday evening last. Officers for the new year were elected as follows: president, Mrs. W. Fortier; first vice-president, Mrs. E. S. Easterbrook; second vice-president, Mrs. Robert Littleton; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. George Porter.

A very successful bazaar was held in the I.O.O.F. hall on the afternoon of December 15th, under the auspices of the Ladies' Auxiliary, when a good crowd gathered. A very tidy sum was thereby added to the church fund. One outstanding feature, which was pleasing in the extreme, was a musical programme carried out by the children, several renditions being given in pleasing style on both piano and violin. All who performed were pupils of Mrs. Dr. Donald and Mr. W. H. Moser, whose careful teaching was reflected through these young artists on this occasion.

LATEST CROP REPORTS

All the crop of the Battiste Sereni and prairie has been harvested successfully. The fodder was of a fairly high quality, but will not be suitable for paper making. The entire crop and its by-products were disposed of to Baird & Co.

Christmas Message--1928

By REV. A. D. CURRIE

TIS the time and season when our thoughts turn to the Christ-Child and through Him to the children. What would Christmas be throughout the world without the children.

The story of the little Christ-Child, the Gift of God, makes us all, adults, men and women of seventy, as well as boys and girls of seven, more full of that excellent gift of love or the giving to others of our love.

What we give to one another is small compared to what God gave to us. It is not the value of the gift that we give, it is the love with which it is given, that makes the real Christmas, both to the giver and the receiver.

Again as this Christmas comes around, let us put away all uncharitableness and become, no matter where we are and what our age may be, as little children; remembering in both our churches and homes the love of God through the little Christ-Child Jesus and say as the angels said, "Goodwill toward all men."

A young woman walked into a bank the other day, and, stepping up to the window, said: "I would like to open an account at this bank, please."

"We shall be very glad to accommodate you," said the teller. "What amount do you wish to deposit?"

"Oh," she said, smiling, "I mean a regular charge account such as I have at department stores."—Royal Bank Magazine.

Waiter: "Would you like to drink Canada Dry, sir?"

Customer: "I'd love to, but I'm only here for a week."—Judge.

In a stylish restaurant a new multi-millionaire, with no knowledge of French, pointed to a line on the menu and said to the waiter: "I'll have some of that."

"Sorry, sir," replied the waiter, "but the orchestra is playing that."

Mrs. Newlywed asked her helpful husband to copy a recipe from the radio that morning. He tuned in on the station but got two stations and could not tune either of them out. He did his best. It went like this: "Hands on hips, place one cup flour on shoulders, raise knees and press toes, and mix in one cup of milk. Repeat six times. Inhale quickly one spoonful of baking powder. Lower legs and mash two hardboiled eggs in a sieve. Exhale, breathe naturally, and sift dumbbells through sieve into water."

"Attention! Lie flat on the floor and roll the white of an egg backward and forward until it comes to a boil. In ten minutes remove from floor and rub smartly with rough towel. Breathe naturally, dress in warm flannels, and serve with soup."

Christmas in Warm Climes

HOW many people here realize how different the climate is in other places at this time of the year? Probably not many of us ever gave it a thought. With Canadians, Christmas is celebrated in a temperature about freezing point or lower, with lots of ice and snow; with skating, skiing, tobogganing and other outdoor sports, and with suitable warm clothing.

It is celebrated in quite a different climate south of the equator, but with no less enthusiasm, for old customs die hard and Britishers are Britishers the world over.

Huge quantities of roast turkey and goose, roast beef and Christmas pudding are consumed by us on the great festival of the year. They are natural and appropriate viands for our northern climate, but in South Africa or Australia, where the season is midsummer with the temperature hovering around the century mark, these heavy foods seem singularly out of place. Ice cream or a cool salad would seem more desirable, but they would not express the Christmas spirit as fittingly as the roast beef and plum pudding of Old England.

Shop windows in Australia and South Africa are usually decorated much like shops in Canada. There the red-garbed patriarchal Father Christmas showers toys to a bevy of wax children romping round in a highly artificial snowstorm. The snowstorm effect is cunningly achieved by the lavish use of cotton wool carefully encrusted with luminous paint and miles and miles of invisible string. Many of the children who delight in it have never seen snow.

The sun beating down on the macadam streets makes the hot and perspiring housewives who are carrying on the shopping orgy of the year, long to get away to a cool dip in the sea, but the inexorable de-

mand of Christmas custom has compelled them to dress up and venture into the hot city. The heat must be endured, however, for the children would be disappointed without a visit from their white whiskered old friend.

Christmas Eve is just as trying for parents as in Canada. Tiny tots go to bed early on summer nights, but like their Canadian cousins, they also have a disconcerting habit of sleeping with one eye open until a late hour. Childish curiosity is the same everywhere—sometimes more so.

When the Christmas Day arrives wandering members of families return to the fold for the great celebration. Hundreds, nay thousands of miles they often travel in overcrowded railway trains and cars to be just "kids at home" again for that one day. The table decorations largely comprise artificial holly—the real thing is not known out there—and the menu is "the old original," like they "ave at 'ome." There are stacks of candy, a snow-laden (?) Christmas tree, with toys and many bags of assorted nuts for the children, and the usual liquid Yuletide cheer for the older folks. The Christmas dinner is served at mid-day, not at night. But that is the only variation conceded to their usual hour of dining.

A Christmas dinner is the housewife's culinary triumph of the year. In many homes the cook is relegated to the background and the "lady of the house" personally attends to the preparation of the feast. In Australia the day after Christmas is called "Tasting Day." Friends and neighbors pay calls on each other to taste the Christmas pudding, cake, etc., and of course sample the beer and wine. A day of trial, surely, to a person with poor digestion.

Custom is custom and Christmas is Christmas to the Britisher—whether it be observed in Canada, England, in

South Africa or on the rolling league-wide plains of Australia.—Ex.

GHOSTS

There are ghosts that come in the twilight

On their little and elfin feet;
And they tug and they tug at my heartstrings
With their hands that are small and sweet.

There are ghosts of long-ago pleasures,

There are ghosts of forgotten pain,
And their footsteps rustle about me
Like the pattering drops of rain.

But there's one that always disturbs me,
For in silence it comes and goes,
And I hear no noise from its slippers,
And no sound from its elfin clothes.

But the tug I feel at my heartstrings,
And they wrench at my weary breast—
They are proof enough of its coming,
It is stronger than all the rest.

'Tis the ghosts of words that I said

And the things that I did not do;
Of the little kindness omitted
And the carelessly brief advice;
Of the comfort love might have rendered;

Of the tears that I did not dry;
Tis the ghosts of duties neglected
In the days that are long gone by.
As it stands and weeps at my elbow
In its silent and ghostly way,
I can see them trooping before me,
All the words that I failed to say.

By the tug I feel at my heartstrings,
By the wrench at my weary breast,
I have proof their ghosts are beside me,
It is stronger than all the rest.

Toronto. —The Tentmaker.

THINGS THAT COUNT

'Tis the human touch in this world that counts,
The touch of your hand and mine,
Which mean far more to the fainting heart

Than shelter and bread and wine.
For shelter is gone when the night is over,
And bread lasts only a day,
But the touch of the hand and the sound of the voice
Sing on in the soul away.

—S. M. Free.

Teacher: "Johnnie, give us a sentence using the pronoun I."
Johnnie: "I is—"

Teacher: "Not 'I is.' You should say 'I am.'"

Johnnie: "All right; I am the ninth letter of the alphabet."



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A Message for Christmas

By REV. ROY C. TAYLOR, B.A.

"MERRY CHRISTMAS!" What a wealth of meaning there is in these time-worn words! What a wealth of memories they bring up in our minds! Memory goes back instinctively to the never-to-be-forgotten scenes enacted around a manger-cradle in the little town of Bethlehem. In a world in which age-old traditions are being questioned and institutions held in sacred veneration are being discarded, the abiding and eternal significance of Christmas holds imperial sway over the hearts of men, women and children the world over.

All the world journeys with hearts aflame and vibrant with Peace to pay their homage and adoration to Him, whose coming was heralded by the Angelic chorus in that grand symphony of praise, "Peace on earth, to men good-will."

Men feel deep down in their hearts that Christmas, being an "institution and a spirit," must never be permitted to die. There is a mystic sweetness in the story of Christmas which tugs at the heartstrings of humanity. In childhood days it makes its unique appeal and amidst the chances and changes of adult life its sacred charm is ever potent.

Much is being written these days in an attempt to mediate to men, the message of Christmas. To interpret its glorious and far-reaching truths is a task too great for men. Our finest mental and spiritual reactions seem hopelessly inadequate to give utterance to the deep and stirring motions of the soul as we in imagination worship with the magi at the feet of the infant Jesus.

Our first impulse is to worship and join in the paeons of praise, "Glory to God in the highest" and then to share in the peace that comes to men of goodwill. Charles Dickens said: "I have always thought of Christmas time, apart from the veneration due to its sacred name and origin—if anything belonging to it can be apart from that—as a good time, a kind, forgiving, charitable, pleasant time."

In gifts and tokens of remembrance we cement our friendships at Yuletide. It ought to be, and I believe is, a place where there falls from our lives the cramping and stultifying effects of bitterness and animosities, and once again we become like little children whose prerogative it is to forgive.

Around the family tables we will gather where His presence will brighten every shadow, and linked together with the alchemy of His love, we will forget in His presence all the clouds that may mar our sky. May the atmosphere generated in the long ago be irresistibly present with us all, so that under its spell we may bury all our grudges and sweeten our resentments and forgive as we ourselves hope to be forgiven.

With its myriad tongues, Christmas speaks to us. Its message is one of hopefulness. Hope leaped unfettered from the humble birthplace of the Saviour of men. The salient note of the old carol is the keynote of the Christmas celebration: "Let nothing you dismay," so let us attune our souls to catch the essential message of Christmas and go forth all through the years before us in the spirit of giving oneself, of brotherhood, of service.

May I conclude, by saying that around our Canadian homes made sacred by the Christmas cheer and the Christmas spirit will grow a nation whose Builder and Founder is God. May this Christmastic bring joy and peace to our Canadian homes and consecrate us to better service in the years to come!

PAYS \$100 FOR CARRYING LOADED REVOLVER

A States car, driven by a man giving his name as Hough and hailing from Camrose, Alberta, was stopped by the A.P.P. here on Saturday evening. The car carried a States license plate and an Alberta plate, which latter had been taken on at Lethbridge. Searched at the barracks, Hough was found to be in possession of a fully loaded revolver. Appearing before Magistrate Gresham, Hough was assessed \$100 and costs for unlawfully carrying the weapon. He also paid a fine for being in possession of license plates that did not belong to the car. The customs authorities also took a hand, and claiming that Hough had entered Canada illegally with the car, a double duty was assessed against the car and the man and car were awarded police escort to the international boundary. Hough left for Lethbridge on Sunday night, accompanied by Corpl. Weaver, of the R.C.M.P.

Hough claimed to be in possession of a tourist permit and that he was on his way to visit friends at Cranbrook. Though he had previously been engaged in run running between Fernie and Coutts, he stated that such was not his mission at this time.

TO ORGANIZE ORCHESTRA ASSOCIATION

A determined effort is to be made in the near future to form an amateur orchestra association along similar lines as those which are proving so successful in other Pass towns. It has always been a puzzle to know why, in spite of all the musical talent in town, that it should be necessary at any time to import music for social functions. A meeting with the above object in view will be called shortly.

Monday at the Orpheum, "The Hangman's House." It's a thrilling picture—don't miss it!

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Bonneau have returned to town, after an absence of several months.

HOCKEY

The Hockey Club and Arena have gone to considerable expense to get Medicine Hat here for a game the day after Christmas. Do your share and buy a booster tag at 50 cents, on sale Saturday, the 22nd, and insure some more good games.

Mr. Frank Leary, the newly elected vice-president of the Mine Workers' Union of Canada, left for Calgary on Wednesday night to take up permanent residence there. We understand that Miss Leary will join him at Calgary by the end of this month.

The following stars playing in "A Woman of Affairs," Orpheum, Friday and Saturday: John Gilbert, Greta Garbo, Hobart Bosworth, John Mack Brown, Lewis Stone, Douglas Fairbanks Jr., Dorothy Sebastian. Great stars great picture, see it! Don't forget your family.



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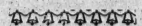
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WORLD HAPPENINGS
BRIEFLY TOLD

Sir John Phillips, 73, physician to Queen Mary, died recently in London.

Alice Mary Longfield, daughter of the poet Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, is dead at her home in Cambridge, Mass. She was 78 years old.

The Carnegie Foundation has offered to provide between \$25,000 and \$30,000 yearly for ten years to subsidize research in Australia.

Through the government's campaign for eradication of bovine tuberculosis, infection among cattle in the Dominion has been reduced five per cent.

The promotion of sheep clubs throughout the province of British Columbia was discussed at the annual conference in Victoria of the advisory board of farmers' institutes.

The appointment of Hon. Frank Oliver, former member of the Board of Railway Commissioners, as an advisory officer to the board in respect to grade crossings is announced.

A preliminary survey of Canadian broadcasting conditions is to be undertaken immediately. Sir John Aird, chairman of the radio commission, stated following the commission's inaugural session.

French circles assert that Foreign Minister Briand, of France, and Dr. Gustave Stresemann, German foreign minister, had reached a tentative agreement on the convocation of a preparatory disarmament commission in February.

Alberta officials are pleased by the decision of the Dominion board of railway commissioners at Ottawa extending the time for the low rate on Alberta coal to Ontario to six months in 1929 as against three months this year. The rate will be in effect from January 15 to July 15.

Real Friendship Lasts

Does Not Alter With Circumstances
If It Is Genuine

Once a southern man presented letters of introduction to a socially prominent New York family, and received the incredible reply, "Our Social circle is already complete! Such smugness could never know aught of real friendship. No alive person, would willingly close any avenue of his life to a possible friend; for friends are the finest treasures. They make life a life."

Real friendship lasts. That is not the genuine friendship which "alters" when it alters conditions. Of the greatest friend it is recorded, "Having loved his own. He loved them unto the end."

The Christmas Spirit

Feeling Of Good-Fellowship Will
Never Lose Its Popularity

The Christmas Festival of goodwill, good-fellowship and peace has lost none of its popularity in its passage through the ages.

Nineteen hundred and twenty-eight finds us welcoming it as heartily as did our ancestors a thousand years ago, before railways, telephones, radios or automobiles were even dreamed of.

It awakens dormant feelings and aspirations which the clamor of worldly life stifles and deadens.

It opens deep springs of brotherhood and love, from whence flow desires to bless with gifts and good wishes.

Oppose Capital Punishment

Capital punishment was abolished by a heavy majority in a provisional vote taken by the Criminal Law Committee of the German Reichstag. The vote is not final. It serves only as a recommendation to the Reichstag.

Sheep Raising In B.C.

Sheep raising is a growing industry in Penitence region of the southern interior of British Columbia, several thousand sheep having recently been imported from the Prairie Provinces.

A PATH THAT IS ALWAYS DRY.
—Der Gotz, Vienna.

W. N. U. 1764



Sir Charles Gordon, President of the Bank of Montreal.

Good Year For Game

Ducks and Geese As Well As Partridge Have Been Plentiful In Alberta

The shooting during the past season in Alberta, has been unusual. The ducks and geese have been more plentiful than for many years and the Hungarian partridge have also increased markedly. Some very respectable bags of the latter have been secured—six and eight being not uncommon, as against a brace in former years. Prairie chickens are still scarce and it is felt that the game authorities are wise in continuing to extend the closed season.

Winnipeg Newspaper Union

The Winnipeg Newspaper Union, which has been in existence since 1904, has elected a new president, Mr. J. H. Taylor, who has been in the union since 1904.



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Christmas Candles Old Custom

The custom lighting candles at Christmas time is an ancient one. According to the old idea, these candles were to be lighted on Christmas Eve, placed on the window sill, and left burning all night. Modern usage has found a place for them on the mantelpiece, as part of the table decorations for the holiday feast, and on the Christmas tree where they are very effective among the bolly wreaths and other scenery.

The heaviest wood known is iron wood. It weighs 81 pounds per square foot and sinks in water.

Bank of Montreal Annual Meeting
Meeting Marked By Many Important Developments

The 11th annual meeting of the Bank of Montreal, held at the head office, was marked by a number of important incidents and developments. Sincere expressions of regret were made at the absence of Sir Vincent Meredith, Chairman of the Board, who had presided at the Annual Meeting of the Bank for so many years.

Of special importance was the announcement of an increase in the authorized capital from \$31,718,000 to \$50,000,000. No intimation was given of the amount that would be issued at the present time.

Sir Charles Gordon, president of the Bank, presided for the first time. In his address to shareholders, he said, in part:

"Reviewing the business situation in Canada, one cannot but remark how rapidly the basic sources of our national wealth are widening. The concurrence of a wide variety of raw material with water powers on a truly gigantic scale gives Canada extraordinary opportunities for all-round development. These opportunities are now being realized in the establishment of primary industries, and in large investments of capital and contributing in marked degree to the general activity."

"There seems to be a somewhat widespread idea that Canadian banks have transferred large amounts of money to New York for employment in call loans. That notion is wholly erroneous. The policy of the Bank of Montreal, and of all Canadian banks, has long been to carry in New York a substantial proportion of reserves or quick assets. No funds, however, are ever transferred to New York or London to be loaned on call until every legitimate need of our own country has been carefully examined and it is found impossible to comply with. Our loans there have been less than they were a year ago."

Sir Frederick William Taylor, general-manager of Bank of Montreal, reviewing the business of the Bank said in part:

"Canada as a whole has enjoyed more prosperity than ever before. At the commencement of 1928 a succession of good harvests had already placed the country on a prosperous footing and the position has been further improved this year by good average yields of the staple crops in all the other provinces, while the Prairie Provinces have far surpassed their previous records. In industry activity an extraordinary development has shown itself in construction works, many being of a most important character. These include the further exploitation of those great natural assets, water powers, minerals and timber. The country has seen a further increase in revenue from the tourist trade, now ranking high among Canada's business activities."

"These factors have put large sums of money into general circulation, they have increased the demands upon many of our industries, and have created the highest level of unemployment since the War. Particularly in the two chief industrial provinces, Quebec and Ontario, manufacturing has been on an unprecedented scale, despite exceptions in a few lines owing to outside competition."

"In Western Canada the year has been remarkable, not only for the record grain crops in the Prairie Provinces, but also for a reduction in harvesting cost per bushel, due chiefly to good weather and partly to the growing effectiveness of agricultural machinery."

"The relative dense of rural population, often the subject of comment, is partly attributable to the growing production per man-power brought about by machinery. The modern labour-saving equipment increasingly used on farms all over the country enlarges the productive capacity and improves the living conditions of our rural population."

"These developments show the Canadian farmer today as a man of affairs who is rapidly bringing his methods up to the level of highly developed urban industries."

Origin of Christmas Tree

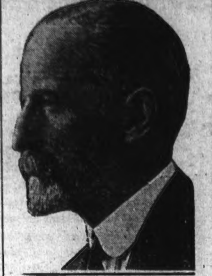
Dates Back To Old German Saint According To Legend

According to an old German legend, it is to Saint Winifred that the world owes the origin of the Christmas tree. The story tells how the Saint gathered a great number of converts round him to witness the hewing down of a very large oak tree which for several years had been prominently connected with Druidic worship. Half-way through the ceremony, however, a strong wind rushed through the forest, caught the oak and blew it down in a crashing heap. Only one thing which lay in its path escaped the devastation, and that was a small fir tree, which still remained erect, pointing its slender stem to heaven. The people acclaimed it a miracle, and the Saint immediately blessed the tree and called it the "tree of the Christ Child."

Predicts Brown-Skinned Race

One inheritance which the present day white race has been on to its children of some distant future will be a brown skin, Dr. Morris Fishbein believes. Dr. Fishbein, editor of the Journal of the American Medical Association, predicts that ultra-violet rays will cause in time a change in the pigment of the skin.

The normal life of an elm is 100 years.



Sir Frederick William Taylor, General Manager of Bank of Montreal.

Competition Is Keen

Growing Number Of Synthetic Staples Being Put On Market

Time was when the producer or marketer of any of the prominent staple products of world commerce could look forward to a fairly easy time of it in a business way. He was sure of his market, he was sure of a demand from a buying public regarding his goods as a necessity, and the only thing to be watched for was whether the financial outlook for the immediate future was bright, gloomy or indifferent.

Today the only uncertainty in the business world is the uncertainty of the position of a staple article of commerce. In the nineteenth century, for example, the grower of cotton could count upon a certain percentage of his crop being taken by the English spinners. Today the press carries reports of a plant member of the cocoa family now introduced into England whose berries afford an excellent substitute for cotton.

Yesterday the school children were taught that the silkworm was the creator of silk, but today a large corporation cuts a juicy "stock market" out of profits very largely derived from artificial silk products. Wood and corn stalks, chemically treated, have risen to challenge the old supremacy of a worm in this expensive textile field.

A German chemist tells of a successful process for making synthetic gasoline for which a cautious American oil company has acquired the patent rights on this continent. The product is derived largely from coal, another staple of commerce, which thus promises revenge for the invasion of the heating field by oil.

Lumber, once a staple of the building world, is finding competition keen from modern substitutes. The telegraph companies, with an eye to the future, are making trade alliances with radio organizations. Artificial leather has replaced leather to a large extent for upholstery. The list might be extended indefinitely.

In these days of scientific research and chemical activity, no industry can look into the future and say: "I have control. I am indispensable. There is no such thing as competition insofar as I am concerned."

Peace River Population

Report States Population Nearly Doubled During Past Year

It is estimated that in the ten months ended October 31st, more than 16,000 persons have come into the Peace River Country to take up residence. This is almost as many as were formerly resident in the north during the summer of 1927. It has been estimated that the area of cultivated land in the Peace River Country in 1927, was 535,000 acres. The amount ready for crop in 1928 will be in the neighborhood of 900,000 acres.

British Boys and Girls Coming

Two hundred British boys will be brought to Alberta next year under the system originated by Hon. George Hoadley, Minister of Agriculture for Alberta. Two parties of British girls for domestic service in Alberta are also being brought out during the winter.



"Abraham, last night I dreamed that you lent me 500 pounds."

"Well, as we are good friends, you may have kept £400 and keep the £100"—Buen Humor, Madrid.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON
DECEMBER 23

THE BIRTH OF JESUS

Golden Text: "There is born to you this day in the city of David, a son, who is Christ the Lord."—Luke 2:11.

Lesson: Luke 2:1-20.

Devotional Reading: Isaiah 11:1-9.

Explanations and Comments

The Birth Of Jesus At Bethlehem, verses 1-7.—When Caesar ordered the enrollment of every one in the Roman Empire, the people of Palestine went each to "his own city" to be enrolled. Bethlehem had been the home of David, their ancestor, and therefore Mary and Joseph went from Nazareth of Galilee, where they were living, to Bethlehem to be enrolled. "There Jesus was born, and Mary laid Him a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn."

The Story Of The Shepherds and the Angels, verses 8-14.—"Be not afraid, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all the people," were the angels' glad words heard by shepherds who were watching their flocks in the fields near Bethlehem on the night of the day that Jesus was born.

And this was the good tidings. "There is born to you this day in the city of David a Saviour," who is Christ the Lord. "Christ is the title of Jesus as the One anointed to be the Redeemer of the world, for it means 'The Anointed One.'"

"And this is the sign unto you: Ye shall find a babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, and lying in a manger," the angels' host explained. The "sign" was in the unexpected circumstance of the babe's being cradled in a manger of straw, instead of the hands of cloth which the eastern mother wraps tightly around the body of her babe, containing legs and arms.

Suddenly a multitude of the heavenly hosts praising God were saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among men in whom He will please." The last part of this song always seems strange to us who are accustomed to the words of the Authorized Version, "good will to men." The different translations are due to the fact that in some manuscripts the Greek word is "eudokia" (good will), nominative case; while in other manuscripts the word is "eudokia" (gentle case, good will). The revisers decided that the latter was the better version; and the English Revised Version translation reads, "among men of good will." To show more clearly that God's good will, not man's, —for the phrase is a Hebrew meaning men to whom God is favorable— the translators have changed the word, "among men in whom He is well pleased."

Canadian Orchestra Scores Triumph

Permanent Records Made Of Two Popular Selections

A distinct contribution to the advancement of Canadian orchestra music was made during the past year, by the recording of two of the outstanding popular selections of recent years—Nanette and Frivolity—by the Eveready Concert Orchestra.

This orchestra, which has delighted the radio audience of CHNC with interesting programs during the past year, had the opportunity of making permanent records of the two selections, when in Montreal last October, to play at the Radio Show. The recordings were made by the Victor Talking Machine Company, in their Montreal studio, and the records are being released this month.

The First Christmas Card

Was Sent By Sir Henry Cole Over Eighty Years Ago

What is believed to be the first Christmas card ever sent is preserved in the British Museum, in London. It was sent in 1843 by Sir Henry Cole, and it bears the well-known words: "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to You." In 1871, the firm of Raphael Tuck took hold of the idea; since then it has grown continually. The popular holiday greeting is now established as a world-wide custom and enjoys an enormous circulation—Vancouver Province.

As Seen By The Schoolboy

A blizzard is the inside of a duck. The whole world, except the United States, lives in the temperance zone. In the eighteenth century travelling was very romantic; most of the roads were only bridal paths.

Transparent means something you can see through—for instance a key-hole.

The sun never sets on the British Empire, because the British Empire is in the east and the sun sets in the west.

Robot Displaces News

A young Russian inventor, M. Vinogradov, has invented a "robot" (mechanical man) newspaper-seller which calls out the chief news items and gives change.

Can you define matrimony? "Yes. You go to a friend, you ring a bell, you give your name to a maid—and then you're taken in."

Accurate Date For Christmas Not Known

January Seventh Was Day Observed In Early Centuries Of Christianity

The day—Christmas Day not on the 25th of December would come as a shock, it wouldn't seem Christmas at all; yet in early centuries of Christianity, January 7 was Christmas Day.

The Eastern Church did not come into line with the Western, which had adopted December 25 for over 400 years. And even now the Armenian church keeps Christmas Day in January, on the day when the rest of Christendom is keeping a different festival, that of the Epiphany. Christmas Day commemorates the birth of Christ, but the actual day and month of that event is not known. December 25 is not the actual date.

The latest researches put the year B.C. 4, and the month as not later than February.

Recipes For This Week

(By Betty Barclay)

SOUP MILK CAKE

1 cup sugar.
1 egg.
1 large lump butter.
1 large lump lard.
1 Mlx well beaten, then add
1/2 cup baking molasses.
1 teaspoon baking soda dissolved in 1/2 cup of sour milk.
1 full cup sour milk.
1 teaspoon cinnamon.
1 teaspoon nutmeg.
1 teaspoon cloves.
1/2 cup flour, seedless raisins.
2 cups sifted flour.
Mix all together and bake in a medium oven about twenty-five minutes.

RAISIN POLENTA

1 cup cornmeal.
3 cups boiling water.
1/2 tablespoon salt.
1 tablespoon fat.
1 small chopped green pepper.
1/2 pound chopped round steak.
1/2 cup puffed raisins.
2 cups tomato sauce.

Add cornmeal slowly to boiling water, stirring constantly to prevent lumping. Add 1/4 teaspoon salt and cook 30 minutes. Melt fat and add raisins, green pepper and tomato sauce. Stir constantly until red color of meat has disappeared. Heat food chopper in boiling water and put raisins through, using medium cutter. Add raisins and tomato sauce to meat mixture. In a greased baking dish put half of cooked cornmeal, then pour in the meat and tomato, and top the rest of the cornmeal on top. Bake in a moderate oven (350 degrees F.), 30 to 40 minutes.

An excellent, inexpensive "meat extender" dish.

Canadians Eating More Butter

Canada's ability to afford more butter on her bread has not only curtailed her exports of butter and increased her imports, in addition to absorbing the usual amount produced at home, but the Dominion has been drawing upon the supply held in cold storage. On November 1, the amount of butter in storage was nearly 11,000,000 lbs. less than on that date of 1927.

Hard On The Mistle

Much merriment was created by a sign in front of one of the city churches in Parkdale, Toronto, which read: "Subject of Sunday evening's sermon. 'Do you know what hell is?' and underneath it in smaller letters, 'Come and hear our new organist.'"

You can tell the road to success by the friendships, scrapped along the way.

People of the United Kingdom store more than \$240,000,000 worth of imported butter in the past year.



Captain: "You refuse to wash your feet. Don't you wash your feet at home in the country?"

Baron: "There was a man in our village who did, and he was never the same man afterwards."—Sondagilase-Slris, Stockholm.

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CHRISTMAS, A GREAT HOME
AND COMMUNITY FESTIVAL

It is in the home circle primarily that the Christmas spirit centres. From that home circle it radiates through the neighborhood, through the community and out into the great world beyond. While "goodwill to all" is the message of the Day, that goodwill can only be manifested in a tangible way toward those in our immediate neighborhood, our family circle and intimate friends. To these we show our love and esteem by the giving of gifts, a beautiful custom which is growing in extent and variety from year to year. We feel the urge of the Christmas spirit to make bright and happy the lives of those around us and, while, filled with thoughts of goodwill to all, necessarily our immediate concern—and rightly so—is with those within our own home circle and community.

NINETEEN TWENTY-NINE

While there is bound to be a natural regret that the passing of the old year finds most of us with a lot of uncompleted plans and unrealized ambitions, there also comes a pleasant consolation that our labors and endeavours have not been entirely unrewarded. We are richer by the experience—perhaps a bit more broad-minded—perhaps a little wiser.

It seems such a short time since last New Year's Day, when we started out with high hopes and ambitions and now another New Year's Day is almost upon us.

Life is full of pleasant tasks and friendly associations, the duties of the day come so thick and fast, the opportunities for service and helpfulness are so many that the days slip rapidly past and before we have realized it, the relentless wheel of time has completed another revolution.

We are glad that another New Year has arrived. It gives us an opportunity to again express our appreciation of the kind patronage extended to us throughout the year that is ending, and to wish only the best in the world for all our friends. We are, too, reminded that some obligation is laid upon us to carry on and endeavor to even more fully deserve your confidence and respect, and we will enter the New Year with a firm determination to do everything in our power to merit your confidence. That's our resolution for Nineteen Twenty-Nine.

ST. LUKE'S, BLAIRMORE

Sunday, December 23rd—Matins at 11.15 a.m.

Tuesday (Christmas Day), December 25th—Holy Communion at 11 a.m.

Sunday, December 30th—Song Service, carols, etc., at 7 p.m.

Sunday school as usual on December 23rd. No Sunday school on December 30th.

All who are willing to be confirmed this year will please hand in their names to the Rector on January the 6th, 1929. Confirmation will take place some time in April.

A. D. CURRIE, Rector.

The C.N.F. Hockey League got under way this week. In the opener at Hillcrest on Monday, Coleman won by a score of 3 to 2, while at Bellevue on Tuesday Blairmore won by a score of 8 to 3. Bellevue plays at Coleman tonight, and Blairmore has its first home game of this league on Friday night, with Hillcrest as visitors.

A Christmas Message

By REV. J. W. SMITH, B.D.

JESUS was born in a stable. He was raised in the home of a village artisan. During the years of His ministry He had no place He could call His home, He had "not where to lay His head."

He owned nothing. He ate with the social outcast. He was rejected by the religious zealots, because He would not be made king.

He was condemned by Jewish officials, because they believed His religious experience was unreal and His claim to fellowship with God, they thought blasphemy.

He was crucified by Roman authority, to satisfy a turbulent people and save a riot.

Such was Jesus of Nazareth, whose birthday we celebrate this Christmas time.

He was always poor, yet He ministered to the needs of the poor as none other ever had or has. The poor and needy, the sick and outcast, the sinful and sorrowful found sympathy and help ever ready and easily accessible at His hand.

He was poor in material things, yet He was rich in spiritual things and in fellowship with God. Slowly men have come to realize the astounding richness of the spiritual resources available to men in Christ. First a few, then in even increasing numbers, men have found God; they have found this lowly Jesus possessed the secret of life new and life hereafter.

Jesus has caught the imagination of the world of men. Countless numbers in innumerable ways are being tremendously affected by the ideals and the spirit of this Jesus so despised by His own day and generation. The idea of a world of human relationship, fundamentally different from anything as yet realized, is beginning to grip men, not as a beautiful dream or a lovely vision of what shall be in heaven, but of what can be and must be on earth. So overwhelming has the power of this idea become that already the greatest minds of every important nation of the world are seeking ways and means to bring it about.

In view of this triumphant march of Jesus, how tardy, and unworthy is the manner of many in keeping this festival of His birth. Let us rejoice, certainly, but there is only dishonor in overeating and drinking. Neither do we fittingly celebrate His birth by making costly gifts to our friends who will return as costly gifts to us. It is far better to remember those who like Jesus was, are poor, the sick and troubled, the hungry, those willing to work, but have not work to do, the child who does not expect Santa Claus. It is good so to do; yet if our effort to relieve suffering be only an impulse of the moment, if during the rest of the year they are forgotten and we go back to our living and getting, indifferent to their needs, our boasted Christmas spirit becomes a mere mockery of Jesus who counted it not too much to lay down His life for them.

The Christmas spirit is a ringing challenge to the world to face the staggering problems involved in bringing a new world into being, a world wherein the poor are not handicapped in the contest of life by the fact of their poverty; where work is awaiting those willing to work and who receive the fruits of their labor in just proportion; wherein the wealth of a nation is used to care for her people instead of being wasted in the mad race for armaments. Such things are not to be realized by the scratch of a pen or the sweep of an axe, they can only be realized by a world which has come to see that men are men and brothers the world over, and are willing individually and collectively so to live.

Oh, lowly Jesus, oh, Prince of Peace, help us to build Thy Kingdom and to realize Thy gift, "Peace on earth, goodwill toward men."

BELLEVUE BOY VICTIM
OF GUN ACCIDENT

A sad accident occurred in the woods near Bellevue on Friday morning last, as a result of which Premo Comin, a lad of about seventeen years of age, lost his life.

He had been out with a couple of chums at gun practice, when a cartridge got stuck in a gun held by one of the other lads and in attempting to extract the shell the gun went off, the .22 bullet entering Comin's spine. He made an effort to walk to his home, being preceded by one of the boys who hastened for medical aid. Reaching a house on the outskirts of Bellevue, he was examined by the doctor, and ordered to the hospital, where he passed away on Sunday morning.

A statement was made to Coroner W. J. Cole at the hospital before he died, in which he declared the shooting to be purely accidental.

The remains were laid to rest at Bellevue on Tuesday.

HIGH SCHOOL
CHRISTMAS PARTY

The pupils of the Blairmore high school will hold their Christmas party in the Masonic hall on the night of Wednesday, December 26, commencing at 8 o'clock.

A splendid programme that will occupy about an hour will be rendered. Parents are cordially welcomed.

Keep your dates open for "Ben Hur" at New Year's, January 1 and 2. What ever you do, don't miss it.

Special — One-Third Off regular prices on all Fancy China — Scott's Grocery.

Mrs. H. Gibeau left this week for Trail, B.C., where she will spend Christmas with her daughter, Mrs. Clarence Reddick.

Coming, one mighty spectacle of all times, "Ben Hur." This picture will be shown at New Year's, January 1 and 2. You can't afford to miss this one.

BLAIRMORE UNITED CHURCH
Rev. J. W. Smith, B.D., Pastor

Serve the church that the church may serve you.

Services for Sunday, December 23, the Pastor in charge:

CHRISTMAS SUNDAY
No Morning School.

2.30 p.m.—The Senior and Junior schools unite in a

"WHITE GIFTS PROGRAMME."

The gifts will be shipped at once to the Wood's Christian Home, Calgary. If cash is brought instead of a gift it will be used toward the support of the Loper child adopted by the Sunday school.

The general public are invited to this service, which will take the form of a Children's Xmas Programme.

7.30 p.m.—EVENING WORSHIP.
A Christmas message by the pastor.
Special Christmas music by the choir.

CHRISTMAS DAY

Tuesday, at 11 o'clock, a Christmas service.

No groups will meet during the Christmas week, except by special arrangement with their leader.

The United Church extends the SEASON'S GREETINGS
and Best Wishes for

Christmas and the New Year to all citizens of Blairmore and the many friends of the church near and far.

INSTITUTE PUBLIC LIBRARY

We acknowledge the receipt of books from Mr. Knappman, Mr. Donkin and Mr. J. R. Smith. During the week we have received fourteen volumes. Help us make this a real town library, supported by all and used by all. We shall not open until there is 4000 volumes, which we hope to have by the end of January or February at the latest. Send your books if they are good books, to J. W. Smith, librarian.

Watch for Ken Maynard in "The Canyon of Adventure." It's a western picture with western thrills.

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LODGE DIRECTORY

Blairmore Lodge No. 68, I.O.O.F.

Meets First and Third Tuesdays at 8 p.m., in the Oddfellows' Hall. Officers for the ensuing term: Sis. J. Patterson, N.G.; Sis. Howe, V.G.; Sis. K. Turner, Rec. Sec.; Sis. Morency, Fin. Sec.; Sis. Walker, Treas.

Crowding Rehoboth Lodge No. 66, I.O.O.F.

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Livingstone Lodge No. 22, KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS

Meets in the Casino Hall on the Second and Fourth Fridays of the month at 8 p.m. Visitors are always welcome. Officers: C.G. Joseph Wolstenholme; K. of R. & S. B. Senier

BLAIRMORE LODGE NO. 15, B. P. O. ELKS

Meets Second and Fourth Tuesdays at 8 p.m., in the Elk Hall. Visitors made welcome. A. E. Ferguson, Exalted Ruler; J. R. McLeod, Secretary.

Maurice Bond and Roy Woods, who have been working in Saskatchewan for the past couple of months, arrived back on Monday morning, the latter continuing on to Fernie, where his wife and her mother are ill.

MacLeod Elks have donated new sweaters to the hockey team.

It would be well for you at this time to look over the many greetings contained in this paper. Those who properly appreciate your patronage during the past year are using this means of wishing you well.

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THE PASS FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

(The Blairmore Enterprise, 1913)

Nov. 7.—Born, this Friday morning, to Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Bennett, a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Lank will leave Lundbreck in a few days for their former home in Nova Scotia.

The Pelletier Lumber Company, Ltd., of Coleman, has been incorporated with \$100,000 capital.

Joe Fourshong has decided to open a barber shop at Bellevue.

J. S. McEachern, a former business man of Moyie, B.C., is in town. Mr. McEachern is very much impressed with the business opportunities of Blairmore.

Nov. 14.—Mr. Perry, the popular C.P.R. agent at Hillcrest, arrived back from Ontario this morning with a new bride.

The lease of the Blairmore opera house has been transferred to Silvio Gris and Walter Howe.

The marriage of Charlie Evans, of Hillcrest, to Miss Ada Crosby, of Staffordshire, England, was solemnized by Rev. W. T. Young on Saturday.

Fred Wolstenholme has moved into his new residence at the Rosedale Dairy, Bellevue.

The coal output of the Bellevue mine for the month of October was upwards of 50,000 tons, constituting about the biggest month's work in the history of this mine.

The management of the Fernie laundry hopes to establish a branch steam laundry in Blairmore.

Nov. 21.—Malcolm McDonald, aged about fifty-five, died at the local hospital on Sunday night from pneumonia. The remains were laid to rest on Tuesday, Rev. J. F. Hunter officiating.

J. C. Boudreau left Frank this week as a bachelor, but will return a married man.

The death occurred at the Bellevue hospital on Thursday, of Mrs. J. Graham, sister-in-law of Mrs. George Paton, and a recent arrival from England.

Mrs. John Hutton returned to Bellevue last week from a visit to her former home in Scotland.

Mr. Herbert Barlaas, coal inspector for the C.P.R., returned from Calgary with his bride this week.

Two carloads of soap and other goods, consigned to the Western Canada Wholesale Co., Blairmore, went to the bottom of Lake Superior in the ill-fated S.S. Regina.

The Enterprise will publish its next issue in the new building just completed by Messrs. Frayer & Sinclair.

Mrs. Coombs, of Magrath, is enjoying a visit here with Mr. and Mrs. John Paul.

A short meeting of the town council took place on Monday night. Owing to the holiday season coming in tomorrow, the monthly meeting of the school board will likely be held tomorrow night.

A Blairmore chap the other day remarked: "My wife weighs in the neighborhood of three hundred pounds," to which his friend replied: "Yes, and if she'd walk a few miles a day, she'd soon get out of that neighborhood."

The liner Celtic, on the rocks near Queenstown, Ireland, is fast being battered to pieces by the seas. Most of the cargo was salvaged. The Celtic was one of the oldtimers of the White Star line, a vessel of around 10,000 tons.

As we go to press, word is received of the sudden death at Calgary of Mr. Harry Goodland, well known representative of the Union Packing Co. in this district for a number of years. Mr. Goodland has been a frequent visitor to this territory and paid his last visit on December 4th.

Local and General Items

Fresh stock Mixed Nuts, 2 lbs for 45c—Scott's Grocery.

It is freedom of their clothes that made girls so aggressive.

Messrs. Fumigali, of Hillcrest, will take over the Blairmore Garage on January 1st.

A large moose arrived by train from the north on Tuesday, consigned to Dr. R. K. Lillie.

Ganong's and Moir's Fancy Boxed Chocolates, 50c to \$2.90—Scott's Grocery.

The Bachelors of Lundbreck will hold their annual dance on the night of Friday, December 28th.

"Slim" Underwood is a patient in the hospital at Bellevue, alleged to have been stabbed by a Chinaman.

A class of seventeen candidates were initiated at the regular meeting of the Okotoks Elks' Lodge last week.

Mr. I. Wilson, postmaster at Frank, was admitted to the Blairmore hospital yesterday, suffering from influenza.

Dr. David Warnock relinquishes the post of deputy minister of agriculture in British Columbia. His successor has not yet been named.

A bride promised her husband roast beef and gravy for dinner. The butcher sent the roast, all right, but not a drop of gravy.

A supper and entertainment will be held in the Lodge hall on Thursday, December 27th, at 6 p.m. Rebekahs and Oddfellows' children invited.

Mrs. Dave Oliver, who has been staying by her husband while a patient in the Fernie hospital, was a visitor in town on Monday and Tuesday.

"The Blonde is Passing," was a recent feature article headline. Bill Johnson adds this testimony: "Yes, we see her passing and always take a good look at her."

Miss Jean Greig and Messrs. R. Pinkney and R. Thompson, who have been attending the Alberta University at Edmonton, arrived home on Monday morning.

Monday night's exhibition hockey game with Granum was a good one, but was witnessed by but a small turnout of fans. The game resulted in Granum's favor with a 5-4 score.

Blue Goose Oranges, 40c, 50c and 55c a dozen—Scott's Grocery.

A dozen persons got peeved this morning with the postmaster, because he didn't have Christmas parcels for them.

When a local citizen told an oil dealer that he had heard that he was about to leave town, the latter remarked: "Don't believe it. I will be with you all way."

Peak Fren's English Biscuits, 50c and 60c per lb—Scott's Grocery.

O. E. Baillie, of Ted Creek, has disposed of his farming interests en bloc, and with his family will leave about the middle of January for Ottawa, where they will in future reside.

An old maid went to confession and told the priest that she had been ardently kissed. "When did it happen, daughter?" said the priest, gently. "Twenty years ago," the old maid admitted. "Have you ever confessed this before?" "Many times, father," sighed the penitent, "but I do love to talk about it."

Following the discovery last week by the Alberta Provincial Police, of quantities of liquor underneath truckloads of Christmas trees, seventy-three persons in Blairmore purchased Christmas trees at \$1.50 each, hoping a bottle of Christmas cheer might have been tangled in the branches. No such luck, however, and the vendor still has a chance for a big Christmas trade.

Sunkist Oranges, 3 dozen for 95c—Scott's Grocery.

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Canada in 1928

The year of 1928 is drawing to a close, and it is timely, therefore, to take a glance backward and endeavor to size up, however briefly, the extent of the progress made by Canada during the twelvemonth.

It will, we believe, be generally agreed that the hopeful outlook for Canada so eloquently expressed by press and platform at the time of the Diamond Jubilee celebrations last year has been strengthened by the developments of this year. During 1928, Canada has been prosperous and has made substantial progress in many ways, while in no one respect has it slipped back. Viewing the Dominion as a whole, there does not appear to be any one section that is not occupying a more favorable position at the close of the year than it did when the year opened.

Commencing down in the Maritime Provinces, it is frankly recognized that conditions are immeasurably better and that an entirely new spirit of confidence prevails which is in sharp contrast to the depression, even pessimism, which was noticeable a year or two ago. The people of the Maritimes are imbued with a new courage and energy, and are tackling their problems, and engaging in productive enterprises, in a manner which recalls the days of their earlier history.

Throughout Quebec and Ontario all industry has been maintained at a high level, building construction in the cities has been carried out on a scale surpassing that of previous years, and as a consequence of these things employment has been general, wages good, and all business has enjoyed a fair share of the resultant prosperity.

Dealing more particularly with the Prairie Provinces, the same advancement is to be noted, but to an even more marked degree. A larger acreage than ever before was seeded to crop, and the largest volume of grain in the history of this country produced. Unfortunately, early frosts before the grain had fully ripened resulted in a serious reduction in grades and consequent heavy loss to the producers. Nevertheless, substantial progress has been recorded.

The rapid progress made in the building of the Hudson Bay Railway, the completion of the branch line to the Flin Flon, and the projection of other lines into the mineralized northern sections of Manitoba and Saskatchewan, and the successful conclusion of negotiations whereby the C.P.R. and C.N.R. jointly assume the ownership and operation of the railways in northern Alberta, have opened a new era for the West, and in the next few years a great volume of wealth will flow out of these formerly inaccessible regions.

And, while these Western Provinces will long remain pre-eminently agricultural, the development of the coal and oil resources of over two million people and their continuing growth and increased productive capacity have during this year attracted the attention of manufacturing industry as never before. The year marked the beginning of a large volume of manufacturing industry westward which, it is confidently predicted will take on additional momentum in 1929, and succeeding years.

With development proceeding at an accelerated pace and on a permanent basis throughout the prairie country, the Pacific Coast province is enjoying a larger home market for its fruit, fish, lumber and minerals, and to an increasing extent is becoming the outlet through which Western grain passes to the markets of the world.

Such developmental activity in all the Provinces has found its combined expression in a tremendous increase in the trade and commerce of the Dominion, in buoyant revenues leading to gratifying decreases in the public debt, greater financial stability, reduced taxation.

Coupled with all these evidences of material growth and prosperity, Canada has been fortunate in 1928 because of an absence of any great disasters or epidemics or disease. There has, also, been an absence of any great social unrest or industrial strife. Progress has been well balanced in all the activities of the Canadian people, who, taken as a national family, have found their ways to be ways of pleasantness and peace.

With 1928 having provided such an immediate background, and bearing in mind the staunchness of the foundations laid in preceding years, Canadians can, and do, look forward with confidence to the new year soon to dawn, and with, we are convinced, a determination to still higher and nobler achievement.

Rest Home For Horses

Animals Recupate On Estate Of Duchess Of Portland

What becomes of the overworked horses of London? Some of them find their way to Wolbeck Abbey as the guests of the Duchess of Portland. The sight of a horse struggling with a load beyond its strength is too much for a sincere lover of animals. The Duchess often stops and buys a stray overworked horse in the street, and sends it to her rest home. In the Midlands, where some of these animals are to be found frisking about the fields fit and fat and strong, and ready for work again.

A New York paper refers to very careful autoists as "bread and butter" drivers. Well, after all, they probably keep out of the traffic jam.

Break Colds

Colds are quickly broken with Minard's. Rub it on chest and throat and ease trouble.



W. N. U. 1764

Women Are Trained For Domestic Work

British Women To Receive Tuition For Employment Overseas

A move is being made by the Overseas Settlement Department to organize residential hostels in various parts of the kingdom, where women will receive tuition in domestic management as a preliminary to their departure to domestic employment overseas. The training hostel opened last December by the Duchess of York, at Market Harborough, has proved a great success, and other hostels are now under consideration for Scotland, Lancashire, Newcastle-on-Tyne, and Wales.

No More Asthma. Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Asthma Remedy sounds the death knell of this trying trouble. It stops the awful choking and painful breathing. It guards against night attacks and gives renewed ability to sleep and rest the whole night long. Much is claimed for this remedy, but nothing but what can be demonstrated by a trial. If you suffer from asthma try it and conquer yourself of its great value.

Enough To Start With. Her Very New Ladyship (who is arranging to give a party at a furnished house she has taken): "And there will be enough silverware Parker?" The Butler (taken on with the furniture): "Yes, m' lady, at the beginning of the evening, anyway."

Good Market In Belgium

Country Shows Partiality For Many Of Canada's Products

The extent to which the Department of Trade and Commerce, through its emissaries, the Canadian trade commissioners in Europe, is expanding trade for Canadian firms was shown in an interview last night with Jean J. Guay, Canadian government trade commissioner in Belgium, with his headquarters in Brussels. After spending six months in Canada, Mr. Guay is returning by way of Antwerp, on the Red Star Line ship Lapland, sailing from Havre.

A few years ago, he said, European firms generally were somewhat indifferent when Canadian trade commissioners approached them with a view to increasing business. However, he said, the Dominion representatives labored they could not work up any enthusiasm. But the situation has changed very considerably since then, and with the aid of Canadian firms the amount of business will be increased very materially," Mr. Guay added.

At the present time Belgium shows a partiality for Canadian wheat, flour, rubber goods, automobiles, salmon, lobster, leather goods, zinc and lead ore, asbestos, wallpaper and de luxe articles such as the better class of silk goods. As an instance of the interest which has been built up in Belgium, Mr. Guay said that he was approached recently by a firm in Europe which wished to obtain a small shipment of Canadian lobster. Correspondence with a Canadian firm did not produce the desired results, as the latter was not interested, but when a trade commissioner, during one of his visits to Canada, called on the firm they decided to send over a small shipment.

Between last March and September, a period of only six months, the Belgian firm bought \$21,000 worth of lobster from the Canadian firm, and now they have notified them that they will require an additional \$36,000 worth during the winter months.

Mr. Guay gave still another instance of how Canadian products are favored in Belgium. On this visit he called on a manufacturer and persuaded him to send over a small shipment of his products because there is a demand for them in Belgium. Mr. Guay said he felt sure that this manufacturer will have almost the same experience as the other one, and that he will have no cause to regret his incursion into the Belgium markets.

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Arms Parley Faces Failure

No Discussion Was Started and Commission Adjourned

Failure faces the League of Nations final effort to launch an international convention for control and publicity of private and governmental arms production.

Count Von Bernstorff, of Germany, appealed to the commission for general discussion, and not a single speaker rose to open the discussion. The commission was obliged to adjourn after naming a sub-commission.

Bernstorff asked for discussion to ascertain any changes in opinion, since the last meeting. Virtually all nations had accepted the principle of control of government production, but the commission has not been able to agree on details of control of private production.

One of the commonest complaints of infants is worms, and the most effective application for them is Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator.

Burmese women are taking up law.

QUEEN OF THE CARNIVAL



Miss Kay Harrison, Vancouver Society girl, who will reign as Queen of the Carnival, when devotees of winter sports assemble at Banff during the week of February 2-9.

Fund For The Blind

Aberdeen Storekeeper Had Happy Thought To Save Money

A certain fancy goods dealer in Aberdeen on being told that his blind was a disgrace to a window, excused himself on the plea that their health is shattered. Often the heart palpitates violently at slight exertion, the stomach fails to digest food and discomfort follows. The nerves become weak and headaches grow more frequent. The body grows weak and they are always depressed. This condition requires immediate treatment with such a reliable tonic as Dr. Williams' Pink Pills which enrich and build up the blood, carrying renewed energy to every part of the body. The value of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills in a rundown condition is proved by the following statement from Mrs. Alex. McInnes, Bowman River, Man., who says:—"About a year ago I had a serious illness which left me very anemic. I was not able to get around to do my work; in fact I could scarcely walk. I was troubled with palpitation of the heart with the least exertion. One day a friend advised me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills as they had done her much good. I followed this advice and took the pills for some weeks when I was well as ever. I have since been able to attend to all my household duties. The dizziness and palpitation have left me and I bless the day I tried Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. They are just the medicine for those who are weak and run-down."

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May Sell Indian Lands

More than 20,000 acres of Indian lands, which include some of the best agricultural areas in the Peace River District, are likely to be sold at auction in the near future. This action will in all probability follow a survey that is being made in the north country by W. Morrison, inspector of Indian agencies for the three western provinces, with headquarters at Regina.

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No Speed Artistic

The tardiest racer ever brought to notice is probably a pigeon that started off in a race from Worcester two years ago. It has just returned to its owner's, cote in Little Drayton, Shropshire, England.

Church Built On Boundary

London Preacher In One Parish Addresses Hearers In Another

The Moravian Chapel, Fetter Lane, is the oldest place of Protestant worship in London, having been first used as such in the reign of Queen Mary, when the congregation met in a shed-like structure built over a disused saw-pit.

It possesses another unique distinction in that it is the only place of worship in the Metropolis, and probably in England, in which the preacher has to stand and deliver his sermons in one parish to his hearers seated in another, the boundary line between St. Bride's parish and that of St. Dunstan's-in-the-West running directly in front of the pulpit.

The Moravians bought the chapel in 1738, and amongst famous non-conformists who have preached there were Wesley, Whitefield, and Richard Baxter.

NEARING A BREAKDOWN

A Condition That Calls For a Reliable Tonic

Many women give so much of their time to the care of their household that they neglect their own health and sometimes reach the verge of a breakdown before they realize that their health is shattered. Often the heart palpitates violently at slight exertion, the stomach fails to digest food and discomfort follows. The nerves become weak and headaches grow more frequent. The body grows weak and they are always depressed. This condition requires immediate treatment with such a reliable tonic as Dr. Williams' Pink Pills which enrich and build up the blood, carrying renewed energy to every part of the body. The value of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills in a rundown condition is proved by the following statement from Mrs. Alex. McInnes, Bowman River, Man., who says:—"About a year ago I had a serious illness which left me very anemic. I was not able to get around to do my work; in fact I could scarcely walk. I was troubled with palpitation of the heart with the least exertion. One day a friend advised me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills as they had done her much good. I followed this advice and took the pills for some weeks when I was well as ever. I have since been able to attend to all my household duties. The dizziness and palpitation have left me and I bless the day I tried Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. They are just the medicine for those who are weak and run-down."

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Operate Salt Well

The Alberta government will operate its salt well in the McMurray country next year. Salt was struck at a depth of 670 feet.

Victor.—"Have you a mixed choir in this church?" Churchwarden—"In a sense, yes. They're all males; but some can sing and some can't."

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They Liked Canada

Labor Leaders In Britain See Opportunities For Advancement Here

Replying to a question in the House of Commons, Right Hon. Sir Arthur Steel-Maitland, minister of labor, stated the speakers at a recent meeting in the Scottish mining center of Hamilton, Lanarkshire, were two out of 10 miners who had been specially recommended by Labor leaders and others to go to Canada with the harvesters and see what the conditions actually were. Their expenses had been defrayed out of voluntary funds. The speakers of Hamilton had received travelling expenses, but no fees and were not employed by any government department, the minister added.

The speakers in question set forth the benefits and opportunities to be found in the Dominion, and a series of such meetings are being organized by the ministry of labor. It is understood they have already resulted in an influx of applications for special government training in agriculture preparatory to emigration to Canada.

Aviator Killed In Canal

Instant death came to Phillip H. Atkinson, cadet, of Asheville, N.C., at Brooks Field here, when his plane went into a tall spin 200 feet above the earth and crashed into the porch of a barracks, wrecking the porch and completely demolishing the ship.

For Burns and Scalds.—Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil will take the fire out of a burn or scald. It should be at hand in every kitchen so that it may be available at any time. There is no preparation required. Just apply it to the burn or scald and the pain will abate and in a short time there will be no mark whatever.

Mrs. June Bride—Oh, dear! Strikes seem to be universal, don't they?

Her husband—Yes! Everything's striking except the clock your brother gave us for a wedding present, and that never did work any to speak of.

Check Colds With Minard's Liniment

New Theatre Stunt

Impromptu plays have been introduced in Berlin. The audience is requested to supply the title for an imaginary play, which is at once produced, the actors and actresses improvising the plot and dialogue as it proceeds.

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POOL SHOULD HAVE RIGHT TO DO OWN GRADING

Melfort, Sask.—A declaration that the Dominion government should stand out of the way, clear the tracks and give the right to do its own grain grading, thereby establishing grade for pool wheat and grades for non-pool wheat has been made by leaders of the United Farmers of Canada, Saskatchewan section.

This second "seign of Ottawa" has come by way of a resolution to the members of the Saskatchewan grain inquiry commission presented at their session here, and was the result of a meeting of certain locals of the organization in the Carrot River Valley District.

Announcement was made that Dr. F. J. Birchard, chemist in charge of the grain research laboratory of the Board of Grain Commissioners of Canada, would be a witness before the commission at some future date. It is expected that he will be called when the commission opens its sessions in Winnipeg in the month of February.

While complaints poured into the commissioners from farmers on the question of grading and while there was a unanimity of opposition to the mixing practices of private elevators, no serious car shortage has been reported during the present season from any point in the district.

But if the commissioners had been inclined to be critical in the last few days of lack of constructive suggestions and criticisms from farmers as to how the grading and sampling difficulties were to be overcome, no such criticism could have been made here. Hardly a witness closed his evidence without leaving some thought in the minds and on the note books of the commissioners.

Moock Found Guilty

Yorkton Man Adjudged Guilty Of Murder By Spolone Jury

Spokane, Wash.—Guilty of murder in the first degree with punishment by death was the verdict of the Moock jury after deliberating two hours and a half.

Moock, whitened as the verdict was read, dropped his head and tears came to his eyes for the first time during the long trial.

Mrs. Moock, who had sat with self face as the jury filed in, began to cry when the jury announced they had reached a verdict and when it was read she gave way completely and had to be assisted from the court room by Attorney Patrick.

Moock was taken immediately to his cell in the jail where, asked if he had any statement to make first asked, "Why?" and when told it would go to his people at Yorkton, Saskatchewan, replied, "Not now."

The verdict was a stunning surprise to close followers of the case, who had not expected anything worse than life imprisonment.

J. A. M. Patrick, K.C., of Yorkton, advisory counsel, was addressed by the verdict, but said the defence had just begun to fight and that an argument for a new trial would be made at once. He firmly believed it would be successful or that a reversal of the verdict would be secured in the supreme court of the state.

Lindbergh Wins Trophy

For Most Outstanding Aeronautical Feat During 1927

Washington, D.C.—Col. Charles A. Lindbergh was awarded the Harmon trophy for the most outstanding aeronautical feat of 1927 at the International Civil Aeronautics Conference, Pierre Flaudin, vice-president of the French Chamber of Deputies and Chief of the French delegation to the conference, made the presentation.

The trophy was the gift of Fitter Harmon, an American residing in Paris, and founder of the International League of Aviators. Shirley Short, airmail flier, won the trophy in 1926.

Confess On Resources

Ottawa.—With the idea of conferring with the Dominion government the methods whereby the unalienated natural resources can be transferred, Premier J. E. Brownlee, of Alberta, and Dr. S. F. Tomin, premier of British Columbia are visiting this city.

To Sell Home Bank Land

Toronto, Ont.—"Cedarville," a land tract valued at \$1,000,000, which forms part of the assets of the defunct Home Bank, is to be sold.

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Time Limit For Pension Appeals

Chief Advisor Of Department At Ottawa Explains Matter

Ottawa, Ont.—The time limit within which all appeals to the federal appeal board in pension cases must be entered does not expire at the end of the month, according to a statement made last night by K. G. MacDonald, chief soldier's adviser of the department of pensions and national health.

There has been, Mr. MacDonald said, some apprehension concerning the statutory time limit governing appeals. He points out that the pension act, as amended at the last session of parliament, sets the time limit for entering an appeal from a decision of the board of pension commissioners as on or before Dec. 31, 1928, or within two years from the date of the decision concerned.

This means that an appeal can be entered at any time within two years of the decision, unless such decision was given on or before Dec. 31, 1928, in which case the final time limit is Dec. 31, 1928.

Time Has Been Extended

Alberta Will Ship Coal To Ontario During 1929

Ottawa.—Subject to the exigencies of the grain movement, the experimental shipments of Alberta coal to Ontario under the \$0.75 per ton rate will be extended in 1929 for a period of six months.

No provision has yet been made for granting a six months test period to Alberta for 1930.

The railway companies have not yet turned in to the Board of Railway Commissioners a statement of the costs involved in the experiment for 1928. A hearing was held a month ago at which counsel for both the transportation companies declared that their cost sheets could not be ready before the end of the current fiscal year, March 31, 1929. Not until some time after that date will it be known if the government who are pledged to reimburse the companies for any financial loss sustained in the tests, will have to distribute any federal funds.

Alberta Will Aid Immigrants

Promises Month's Free Training and Selected Positions For Applicants

London, Eng.—An important agreement promising to stimulate the flow of migrants to Canada from Britain has been concluded between the province of Alberta and the overseas settlement department of the British government. Under the agreement the province will give one month's free training in agricultural schools in Alberta, to men 17 and 25 years, and a month's free domestic training to women from Britain between 23 and 33 years of age. Subsequently the province will place the students on selected farms and in selected domestic positions respectively.

The applicants will travel in two parties in the spring.

Queen Mary Unveils Memorial Tablet

Made Brief Address Which Was Broadcast By Radio

London, Eng.—Queen Mary presided at the unveiling of a memorial tablet on Tower Hill. It is to the memory of the men of the Mercantile Marine who lost their lives during the war. The Queen left Buckingham Palace at 2.30 o'clock and was cheered along the entire route by enthusiastic crowds.

The unveiling ceremonies were broadcast throughout the nation by radio. The Queen made a brief address in behalf of the King, this being the first time her voice was ever heard upon the radio.

Minister Of Fisheries

Montreal.—To seek the creation of a Dominion minister of fisheries, and to present certain suggestions concerning Canada's fishing industry, a delegation of members of the Canadian Fisheries Association will meet Rt. Hon. Mackenzie King, the prime minister, and his cabinet at Ottawa early in January, according to tentative arrangements agreed upon by Hon. P. J. Cardin, minister of marine and fisheries, and R. W. Gould, secretary of the association.

Sleeping Sickness In Africa

Lugano.—A report was submitted to the council of the League of Nations saying that sleeping sickness is a veritable scourge among the natives of Africa and is rapidly decimating them. The report was adopted by the council which approved the campaign league to combat the maul.

Close Of Navigation

Navigation On Great Lakes Ended On Night Of Dec. 12th.

Winnipeg.—Navigation on the Great Lakes is closed, following a season in which all former grain movement records were broken out of Port William and Port Arthur. A total of 17,700,000 bushels of all grains was shipped out of the lake head this year, as compared with 13,000,000 bushels last season.

While the official close of the shipping season was really November 30, the weather and the continued movement of grain from the prairies kept grain boats plying back and forth until Dec. 12, which marked the last day on which insurance was obtainable.

Cargoes aggregating 2,760,000 bushels left the head of the lakes on the last grain freighters to attempt the downward trip, Grain movement on the prairies still continues heavy.

Given Life Sentence

Mother Of Ten Children Given Maximum Penalty For Selling Liquor

Lansing, Mich.—Mrs. Etta Mae Miller, mother of 10 children, must spend the rest of her life in prison as the first woman to be given the maximum penalty in Michigan, mandatory under the habitual clause of the State criminal code.

She was convicted by a jury here of selling liquor, her fourth felony. The jury deliberated 1 hour and 50 minutes.

MUST WAIT FOR THE EVACUATION OF RHINELAND

Lugano, Switzerland.—Dr. Gustav Stresemann, German foreign minister, belittled current reports that Germany is expecting the early and complete evacuation of the Rhineland.

He emphasized that Germany is counting upon complete evacuation of German soil when the reparations problem has been adjusted, but remarked upon the great uncertainty as to when and whether the reparations question would be satisfactorily liquidated.

It was learned that the conversations of the ministers already have touched upon the proposed creation of a committee of verification and liquidation in the Rhine area once that region is liberated of troops.

An unconfirmed report also was current that the allied powers contemplated making a gesture of amity and ordering evacuation of the second Rhineland zone simultaneously with the opening of the negotiation negotiations of the committee of experts.

Predicts Air Mail

Coast-To-Coast

Great Progress Achieved In Aerial Transport Says Postmaster-General

Ottawa.—A coast-to-coast air mail service within a few years was envisioned by Hon. P. J. Veniot, postmaster-general, in discussing the progress already achieved in the field of aerial transport.

Contingent upon the willingness of parliament to vote the necessary funds, he intimated that there was a possibility of inaugurating an experimental air mail service next summer between Rimouski, Que., and Vancouver, B.C.

Western Styles Banned

Canton, China.—Imported western-style clothing, which has been the colliery rage throughout southern China, is to be abolished by the Canton government.



MAY VISIT AMERICA



Queen Victoria of Spain, whose most recent photograph is reproduced above, is expected to be the next royal personage to arrive from Europe for a visit in America.

Fought Police Five Hours

Sixteen-Year-Old Chicago Negro Was Evading Arrest

Chicago, Ill.—Two blocks from Oak and Milton streets, famous "death corner" of little Italy's gang and mafia slayings, a 16-year-old negro resisted for five hours the machine guns and tear bombs of 10 police who besieged his brick barricade.

Ernest Whitnair, the negro youth, was being sought for questioning in the breaking of a store window near his home. He evaded two detectives who called at his home at 2.30 a.m. opened fire on them from behind a door and began a battle which called for every available riot squad on the north side.

After five hours firing deputy police commissioner John Stege who had taken charge of the police forces, and Sergeant Thomas Conley gained entrance to the youth's barricaded room and rendered Whitnair unconscious with two shots through the head.

Daring Hold Up

Bank Delivery Car In Yonkers, New York, Robbed Of Huge Sum

Yonkers, N.Y.—Holding up a bank delivery car in the heart of the city's business district six robbers, equipped with \$104,500 in currency, representing part of two payroll disbursements.

A First National Bank messenger guarding the money inside the little truck was shot through both arms as two of the holdup men, who had drilled through the metal-enforced rear door, snatched the money while their comrades kept at bay the vehicle's driver and a patrolman riding on the front seat.

It all happened in about three minutes. The truck, transporting the money to the bank from the post office where it had been received from the Federal Reserve Bank in New York, was near the intersection of Wagon Vista Avenue and Hudson street on the latter thoroughfare.

Property Changes Hands

Winnipeg.—Built in 1914, the Boyd Building, nine storey Portage Avenue block, has been sold to a syndicate of Winnipeg business men for a price reported as approximately \$1,000,000.

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Riches In Northland

Coal and Oil Discoveries Reported In Vicinity Of Hudson Bay Junction

Hudson Bay Junction, Sask.—Mining talk is commanding a lot of attention in the Junction these nights, and it's not all about The Pas country either. Coal is reported to have been found about 15 miles south of the village, and some weeks ago there was a flurry when a Toronto company made a survey of the oil shales in the Porcupine Hills.

The oil find is declared to be better than that which Horace Halcrow and other prospectors from The Pas made in the Pasquia Hills, about ten years ago. The field is reached by a fair trail, about 10 miles of it being open to auto traffic and the rest in a wagon road. The oil shales are in the heart of the bush country.

Nothing is known locally about the kind of coal or the quantity available.

Would Sell Labrador

Newfoundland Suggests Price Of One Hundred Million

St. John's, Nfld.—In the opinion of Sir William Coaker, head of the Fishermen's Protective union, and colleague of Premier Sir Richard Squires, Newfoundland would be well advised to sell Labrador to Canada, or to a syndicate, if \$100,000,000 could be obtained for the territory, according to an article over Sir William's name in the Fishermen's Advocate of last week.

The main object of such a sale, he writes, would be payment of the colony's national debt.

Appointed Trade Commissioner

Montreal.—A. M. Wiseman, M.C. deputy British trade commissioner at Winnipeg, has been appointed trade commissioner in Canada. He will succeed G. F. Bradstock, who has returned to the department of overseas trade, London, Eng. Mr. Wiseman, who is at present on leave in England, will take up his new appointment in February.

Wants Site For Town

Winnipeg.—Provincial government is asked for reliable information concerning site for the town to be erected as a result of the Flin Flon mine development. Letters to this effect were made through Hon. D. G. McKee, provincial secretary and minister of mines from The Pas Board of Trade.

Naval Appointment

Ottawa.—Official announcement was made by Hon. J. L. Ralston, minister of national defence, of the appointment of Lieut.-Commander G. B. Barnes, R.C.N., for duty in R.C.N. barracks, Esquimaux, B.C.

RAIL CROSSING PROBLEMS WILL BE INVESTIGATED

Ottawa.—Hon. Frank Oliver has been appointed advisory officer to the Board of Railway Commissioners. Announcement to this effect was made recently.

The appointment of Mr. Oliver was made on the recommendation of the board of railway commissioners under Section 21 of the railway act. He will act in an advisory capacity particularly in respect of level crossings.

In his new office Mr. Oliver will be entrusted with an investigation throughout Canada of the problem of railway crossings. Subsequently, he will submit a report to the railway commissioners recommending a means of eliminating or protecting railway crossings, a problem which has held the attention of the commission some time.

Mr. Oliver served on the board of railway commissioners from 1923 until his retirement this summer. He was first elected to the House of Commons in 1905 for Edmonton. In 1896, and was minister of interior in the government of Sir Wilfrid Laurier from 1905 to 1911.

New Dodge Of Rum Runners

Use Power Line Across Niagara To Transport Liquor To U.S.

Niagara Falls, Ont.—Using a specially constructed set of pulleys rum-runners have been using a 120,000 volt power line across the Niagara River to transport liquor into the United States, a provincial police constable has discovered.

The constable came upon a sedan near the power house at Queenston. The car was stocked with assorted liquor and the apparatus for making use of the power line was found nearby.

C. N. R. BRANCH LINES PROJECTED FOR THE WEST

Toronto.—A special despatch from Ottawa to the Toronto Star says the newspaper's Ottawa correspondent has learned a three-year branch program aggregating more than \$20,000,000 will be brought down to Parliament next session.

The despatch says: "In addition, the Hudson Bay Railway will be carried to Fort Churchill, reaching there next summer and the Canadian National Railways will participate on a 50-50 basis with the Canadian Pacific in the purchase of the government railways which include the Edmonton, Dunvegan and British Columbia Railway, the Alberta and Great Waterways Railway and the Central Canada Railway.

"The new C.N.R. program will be the third since the system became consolidated. In 1924, a three-year program was approved by parliament for the construction of 652.3 miles of branch line railway at a cost of \$10,615,515. In 1927, another three-year program was passed, providing for the construction of 510.4 miles at an estimated cost of \$20,000,000. Of this sum \$3,191,005 was spent in 1927. By the end of this year a further \$10,725,000 will be spent and the balance of costs in 1929.

"The passage by parliament of these programs delayed action on them in the year they were passed so a new departure will be made next year. Parliament will be asked to approve the new program before the end has been completed. Thus, work can be started as soon as the work on the 1927-29 program has been finished.

The money is paid over to the Canadian National, which prepares the program for the approval of the minister of railways and the sanction of parliament. The financial experts and engineers of the Canadian National have almost completed the new program to be presented to the minister.

"The appropriations include the cost of stations and other railway buildings on the branch lines to be constructed. The extensions and improvements for the most part will be the development of roads in western Canada and better facilities for bringing out the steadily increasing wheat crop. The trend of construction will be northward and there will be some lines to tap the timber areas or link up with roads in those areas.

"The Hudson Bay Railway is not a Canadian National branch line but is a national project, paid for by special vote. The actual construction work is being done by Canadian National engineers and construction staff, but under the direction of engineers of the department of railways and canals.

"The railway work is expected to be completed next year. Considerable progress has been made on the harbor works."

Grippe Epidemic In Montreal

Montreal.—There is a real epidemic of grippe in the city, although not the same dread maul which ravaged Montreal ten years ago. At the Montreal general hospital 25 nurses have been stricken, while two nurses two doctors and a physician have been affected from the Royal Victoria staff. The Hospital Notre Dame reports 15 of its staff ill.

Byrd Denies Report

New York.—Commander Richard E. Byrd, in a wireless despatch to the Associated Press from his ship, the Bark City of New York, now in the Antarctic, denied a report that he had sent Bill Riser, a dog driver back to the Yukon to get forty huskies to replace dogs that had died aboard ship.

Brandon "On the Air"

Brandon.—Brandon went out "on the air" through the opening recently of the city's own radio station, CKX. While the city defrayed the cost of constructing the station, \$2,500, it will be operated and maintained by the Manitoba government.

Shorter Route To Bay

Montreal.—A shortening of the route from Saskatoon to Hudson Bay ports will result from the construction of a new line of railway from Aberdeen to Melville Sound, according to an announcement made by the Canadian National Railways.

Canada An Inspiration

Ottawa, Ont.—By leading the way in world disarmament, Canada has become an inspiration to other nations in furthering the sentiment of peace, declared Hon. J. L. Ralston, minister of national defence in addressing the University Club here.

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Local and General Items

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ful lover out. Sometimes her father
does it.

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other day by an individual who stole
the polish off our shoes.

Bill says—"There are some people
to whom Christmas doesn't mean any-
thing more than a sore stomach."

Santa Claus may be a specialist in
his line, but he can't fill a girl's stock-
ing nearly as well as she can do it
herself."

"Married Women's Act Ultra
Vires," declares the Calgary Alber-
tan. Yes, and probably most of their
acts should be.

Mrs. James Walker, wife of the
well known and esteemed Alberta
oldtimer, Col. Walker, died at Cal-
gary on Tuesday of last week.

Mrs. Hugh Cameron, at Burnis,
received a letter from Toronto by Air
Mail the early part of the week. This
is the first to arrive by air at this
point.

Because of the "flu" epidemic, the
medical health officer at Coleman has
asked that the big masquerade dance
that was to have been held tomorrow
night, be postponed indefinitely.

L. I. Morgan, of the Crows' Nest
Pass Motors, and E. W. Morgan, of
the Pincher Creek Motors, attended
the opening of the new General Mo-
tors plant at Regina last week.

Built on the confidence of its sub-
scribers, the Family Herald and
Weekly Star, Montreal stands su-
preme today among farm papers,
while its Magazine Section is easily
at the head of the list.

Wesley Byers left here by Mon-
day night's train for Nova Scotia,
where he will spend Christmas at his
former home. Before leaving for the
east, Wesley visited Dave Oliver in
Ferne hospital.

For quality and quantity the Family
Herald and Weekly Star, Mont-
real, is the prudent farmer's first
choice. At \$1 a year or three years
for \$2 it is a marvel of value, and all
members of the family get a wealth
of reading of marvelous interest.

One Alberta weekly newspaper re-
fused to publish an article, dealing
with the teaching problem and issued
by the Alberta Teachers' Alliance ex-
ecutive, because less than twenty-five
per cent of the teachers of that town
were subscribers to the home paper.

Mr. W. A. Vaughn, local district
representative of the Western Can-
ada Wholesale Co., Fernie, left by
Saturday night's train for his old
home at Wolfville, Nova Scotia, and
will be away a few weeks. In his
absence, Mr. Cecil Anderson, of the
head office, is covering this territory.

Mr. A. H. Lynch-Staunton has re-
cently purchased fifty additional head
of cattle. His brother, Mr. Richard
Lynch-Staunton, of Lundbreck, has
also purchased a carload. Mr. Lynch-
Staunton is of the opinion that the
time is now opportune for the rais-
ing of more and more cattle in Al-
berta. With poor markets for hay
and good markets for cattle the as-
sertion seems to have very little ele-
ment of doubt.—Pincher Creek Echo.

Dr. W. G. Carpenter, of the Al-
berta Institute of Technology and
Art, Calgary, was a visitor to Blair-
more on Saturday last and attended
the demonstration staged in the Elks'
hall by the local branch institute, un-
der the supervision of Rev. J. W.
Smith. Dr. Carpenter expressed him-
self as agreeably surprised at the
quantity and quality of the work
done by the young people here, and is
of the opinion that the time is now
ripe for the establishment in the
Pass, centrally, of an institute to be
operated along the same lines as the
central institute, and he hopes to
pay a visit to this district early in
January to go into the matter.



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Christmas Time at Red Cross Headquarters

PERHAPS there is nowhere on earth where the fire of generous impulse burns more purely than in the heart of a child at Christmas time.

In hundreds of schools in Alberta boys and girls are striving to become supermen in their effort to sell Christmas seals for the benefit of the little cripples of Alberta under the care of the Junior Red Cross hospital units at Calgary and Edmonton.

Thus they can interpret their pledge of service to the suffering, and gladly they offer each December their time and their talent to accomplish the great task of "putting across" the sale of 400,000 seals.

In many a little country school house, too, the children may be seen bending earnestly over a new and evidently most interesting task. With scissors and needle and thread, with hammer and saw, with cardboard and paints, the Junior Red Cross members are wrestling in order to create something of their very own for a gift to the little boys and girls, who are forced to lie abed, even on Christmas Day, encased in plaster or in splints in the Junior Red Cross hospitals at Calgary and Edmonton.

Large important looking parcels

are delivered daily at Red Cross headquarters, in one case the contents so unique that a display was placed in the windows of the Hudson Bay Store on Jasper Avenue. This consisted of a Zoo of stuffed animals, ranging from rabbits to rhinoceros, made of soft grey flannel by Ukrainian juniors of the Bukovina school near Willingdon. Some fine samples of woodwork were an axe and hammer made by junior boys.

Believing that there is no finer gift than health and strength, the Red Cross is endeavoring at all costs to maintain the many humanitarian services for which its Peace Time Programme has become famous in Alberta.

You are earnestly invited to co-operate in this great mission of mercy and by your renewal membership in Red Cross, one dollar, or by your donation if already a member, in the spirit of Christmas time by helping to give health and strength to many a little child in the hospitals under the Red Cross flag at Calgary and Edmonton.

THIS CHRISTMAS, REMEMBER
RED CROSS, 407 Civic Block, Edmonton, Alberta.

AN XMAS RHYME

Give a little, live a little, try a little mirth; sing a little, bring a little happiness to earth. Pray a little, play a little, be a little glad; rest a little, jest a little if the heart is sad. Spend a little, send a little to another's door; give a little, live a little, love a little more.

Some Father!

Three children were discussing the incomes of their fathers. One said: "My father writes a song in an evening and sells it for \$25."

The next countered: "My father writes a story in an evening and takes it downtown the next morning and sells it for \$50."

"That's nothing," declared the third. "My father gets up in a pulpit on Sunday and talks for half an hour and it takes twelve men to carry the money to him."

Don't forget Orpheum theatre Friday and Saturday showing John Gilbert and Greta Garbo in special picture, "A Woman of Affairs."

CHRISTMAS THOUGHTS OF YOU

It's a heap o' Christmas gladness 'That I'm hopin' comes your way, 'Bringin' you the sort o' blessings 'That will cheer you day by day. When I know your heart is happy, I'll be mighty happy, too— So there's nothin' that could please me 'Like a word or two from you.

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CONTENTMENT

Ask not too much from life. Expect
no more
Than just a few red ramblers at your
door.
Nature is lavish with her summer
charms.
But if with roses you have filled your
arms,
Take but a step and some to earth
will fall.
'Twas not intended you should hold
them all.

The world is wide and brief the life
of man;
To see it all is not within the plan;
Beyond a certain point on earth we
cannot go.
Riches piled up have nothing to be-
stow.

'Tis appetite not money flavors meat.
More than his fill no billionaire can
eat.

Who in his home finds comfort and
content,
Has all that is for human beings
meant.
Pride, power and place at last to
this descend?
Who would be happy first must have
a friend.
And who has friends and neighbors
near his door,
Dines well and sleeps; would not be
helped with more.

"They are as sick who surfeit with
too much
As those who starve with nothing."
And to clutch
Mountains of gold and silver is to
seize
Not greater joys but greater miseries.
Who for this hour world at peace can
see,
For this one hour is rich as man can
be.
—Edgar Guest.

FOR 1929—THE FINAL TEST

One thing I need, if I succeed
In life's energetic game;
One force must be supreme in me
If honors I hope to claim;
For this I know: The prize will go
To him whose morale is true.
The best of luck is found in pluck—
The power to see it through!
No kindly fate can make men great
Unless they have fixed a goal,
Until they name a worthy aim
And work for it heart and soul.
The men today who fight their way
To lasting success are few.
Low, grant to me in great degree
The power to see it through!
Not every man who says "I can"
Continues to do his best,
Yet fame is known to him alone
Who answers the final test.
So this I ask: Whatever task
Is waiting for me to do,
Give me the might to win the fight—
The power to see it through!
—O Lawrence Hawthorne.



May the Christmas Season come to
us all, like a treasure galleon of yore
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THE MEN WHO LIKE A BOY

I still remember older men
I knew when I was just a lad,
A lot of folks had money then,
And others high positions had.
But these are not the men at all
That all life long I shall recall:
The men whose memory brings me
joy
Are men who used to like a boy.

They were not many; I could name
Them quickly if the truth were told.
The men who used to talk the same
To man and boy, to young and old.
The men who never showed aside
The little lad, or hurt his pride—
For questions never did annoy
The men who used to like a boy.

I don't recall the great or not,
As greatness goes, in wealth or
place,
But not a man have I forgot
Of kindly speech and kindly face.
A man with time to tell the truth
To little lads, to eager youth,
Whom many matters might employ
And yet who used to like a boy.

There are some men that I admire,
But there are others that I love:
Some are still here, some aging sire,
And some have gone to dwell above.
Some men I love, new I'm a man,
With love that 'way back there began
When some would mend some broken
toy.

The men who used to like a boy.—Ex.

THE OTHER FELLOW'S SIDE

When you're forming your opinions,
Do it carefully—then go slow;
Hasty judgments oft are followed
By regretting—that I know.
And in arguments be careful
Not too quickly to decide—
Try to look upon the subject
From the other fellow's side.
Ah, if we would use but caution,
And a little less of self;
Think a little more of kindness,
And a little less of self;
Try to help the other fellow,
Not to hurt him, don't you see
How much fairer, brighter, better
This world of ours would be?

Over and over I've discovered
That the other fellow knew
Lots of things about some subjects
Which I didn't think were true.
And I'd still be groping vainly,
In my flickering light and dim,
If I hadn't hesitated
And hearkened unto him.

Keep the path your mind would travel
Broad and open all the way;
Walk with Wisdom's comrade, Cau-
tion,
Heeding all he has to say,
And no matter what arises,
Ere against it you have cried,
Try to look upon the subject
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The Night Before Christmas"

TWAS the night before
Christmas, when all
through the house
Not a creature was stirring,
not even a mouse;
The stockings were hung by
the chimney with care,
In hopes that St. Nicholas
soon would be there;
The children were nestled
all snug in their beds,
While visions of sugarplums
danced in their heads.

AND filled all the stockings;

 then turned with a jerk,
 And laying his finger aside
 of his nose,
 And giving a nod, up the
 chimney he rose;
 He sprang to his sleigh, to his
 team gave a whistle,
 And away they all flew like
 the down of a thistle.
 But I heard him exclaim, ere
 he drove out of sight,
 "Happy Christmas to all, and
 to all a good night!"

—Clement Clarke Moore

A children's chorus would contribute much of the Yuletide musical festival and the numbers might include: an old French carol, "Carol of the Birds," and "Joy to the World, the Lord is Come," De-Roef's "The Manger Babe." In some instances a Christmas operetta, such as Johnson's "Wonderful Christmas Tree," might be rendered effectively by the children of the community.

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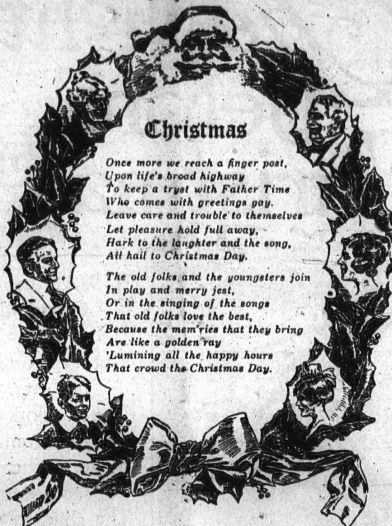


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Once more we reach a finger post,
Upon life's broad highway
To keep a tryst with Father Time
Who comes with greetings gay.
Leave care and trouble to themselves
Let pleasure hold full sway.
Hark to the laughter and the song,
All hail to Christmas Day.

The old folks and the youngsters join
To play and merry jest,
Or in the singing of the songs
That old folks love the best,
Because the memories that they bring
Are like a golden ray
Luminous all the happy hours
That crowd the Christmas Day.

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